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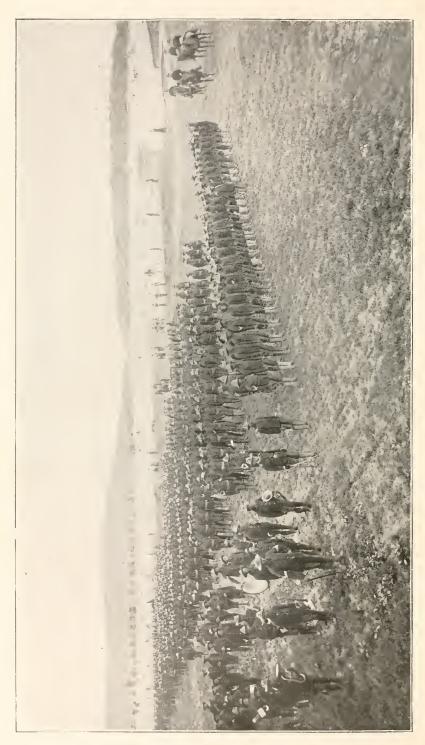






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THE NINTH REGIMENT U.S. VOLUNTEER INFANTRY AT CAMP MEADE PA.

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### Dedication

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Major Duncan 25. Harrison

the Efficient Officer and Faithful Friend of the Private Soldier



REGIMENTAL COLORS.

### Introduction.

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THE compiler of the statistics of the Roster and Muster of the Ninth United States Volunteer Infantry acknowledges the incompleteness of his effort, but he is conscious that the statements made will be found accurate and reliable, so far as given, as to the formation of the several companies, and the

the dates and places of enlistment of the men, and their initial illness. These are of primary importance to enlisted men, and will be found to be of increasing value to them. As the time of their service becomes more and more remote, the essentials will become less clear in their memories, and it will become proportionately difficult for them to establish their identity with the organization. Disease, which is ever faithfully engaged in the work of removing members of the family organization, will prove as active and diligent in taking from our regimental organization our companions, who, with us, severally suffered the fevers of possible death on San Juan Hill, at San Luis, at Camp Cheever, at El Cobre, at El Myria, at Palma, at Cristo, and Songo, and in the hospital at Santiago. With these important truths in mind, the need of the Roster and Muster becomes plainly apparent to the reader.

The writer regrets that he has been unable to secure sketches and portraits of the entire staff, as well as those of all the line officers; but they are gentlemen of varying capacities, of keen instincts, of broad charity, and essentially excellent soldiers and efficient officers.

### The African-American's Opportunity.

THE ARMY A MEDIUM THROUGH WHICH HE MAY ACQUIRE A PLACE IN AMERICAN CIVILIZATION...

HE most distinctive and determined element in American social growth is the African-American's longing for a place in all that is American. The character of this sentiment is defined by its advancing and halting. It has been timorous, but it has explored well every inch of the territory before entrenchment. The African-American has not been blind. He has observed with accurate vision. He has seen the ending at the beginning of every American war, and has succeeded in placing his contri-

bution prominently among the victorious achievements of the nation. Accused of cowardice, he has proved most courageous and reliable in battle. He is an object of friendly study. He has sought entrance here and there. He has been repelled, but he has lingered at the threshold of American thought, and has finally been admitted to a place in American consciousness. His presence in art and war has received respectful recognition, and in these he is assured of an increasing mental acreage for intellectual and industrial expansion, and for moral and religious development. The pessimism of despair will not deter him. He is optimistic, and will not be palsied by doubt.

Without the shedding of blood there is no salvation. The African-American has bled in all the wars by which our civilization has been established and perpetuated. The forces that seem to us spent are not lost to an ever-accumulating civilization. The expenditure is recompensed. New conditions are making, friendly influences are accmulating. Volcanic eruptions are not of spontaneous origin. Ages of gaseous accumulation have preceded and contributed to the eruption of to-day. Conditions, positive and negative, attend the progress of the race. They are confirmative and helpful; they are obstructive and violent. The latter have no permanent place in the illuminated consciousness of American desire, and hence, though they be repressive and violent, they will not survive. French history furnishes innumerable types of repressive influences, and still the people survive. The influences opposing the Protestant reformation in Germany were seemingly irresistible, yet the reforming spirit found place, passed into Switzerland, and into the Netherlands, and secured the ultimate right of people to live and to differ in religious faith and practice. The insane brutality of Russia, Germany and France has been arrested, and the Jew will find in each of these countries a sentiment of toleration sufficient to secure to him safety in life and property.

So, too, will the African-American find an increasing public sentiment favoring him, purchased by his beautiful gallantry and by the shedding of his blood at El

Caney, Siboney, and at San Juan, as well as on the bloody fields of the Civil War, that will eventually arrest, upon every inch of American territory, the most vehement hostility against him, and will expel it from every American institution. His mental equipment must be increasingly intelligent and alert; his habits increasingly indusdustrious and reliable; his conduct increasingly moral and religious. Assiduously must be seek to remove every obstacle that would justify the most sensitive prejudice or excite it into opposing his presence in the several branches of government service or of that of the several states.

As to the strength of our newly-acquired position in the military service of the government, I am pleased to quote from a history of the Spanish-American war, which is said by the officers who commanded at Santiago to be the fairest history of the war put forth:

"While we talked, and the soldiers filled their canteens and drank deep and long, like camels who, after days of travel through the land of 'thirst and emptiness,' have reached the green oasis and the desert spring, a black corporal of the Twenty-fourth Infantry walked wearily up to the 'water hole.' He was muddy and bedraggied. He carried no cup or canteen, and stretched himself out over the stepping-stones in the stream, sipping up the water and mud together out of the shallow pool. A white cavalryman ran toward him shouting, 'Hold on, bunkie; here's my cup!' The negro looked dazed a moment, and not a few of the spectators showed amazement, for such a thing had rarely, if ever, happened in the army before. 'Thank you,' said the black corporal 'Well, we are all fighting under the same flag now.' And so he drank out of the white man's cup. I was glad to see that I was not the only man who had come to recognize the justice of certain Constitututional Amendments, in the light of the gallant behavior of the colored troops throughout the battle, and, indeed, the campaign. The fortune of war had, of course, something to do with it, in presenting to the colored troops the opportunities for distinguished service, of which they invariably availed themselves to the fullest extent; but the confidence of the general officers in their superb gallantry, which the event proved to be not misplaced, had still more; and it is a fact that the services of no four white regiments can be compared with those rendered by the four colored regiments-the Ninth and Tenth Cavalry and the Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth Infantry. They were to the front at La Guasismas, at Caney, and San Juan, and, what was the severest test of all, that which came later in the yellow fever hospital. I saw the groups of the black soldiers of the Twenty-fourth Infantry carrying into their places the sick as they came, and carrying out the dead as they died, and burning the infected clothing, and scrubbing the place with chloride of lime and other disinfectants. Superb as was the behavior of the Twenty-fourth Infantry in the San Juan charge, the battle they fought for forty days in the yellow fever hospital here was a still more gallant fight, and one which cost more dearly in precious lives. And there is no name that more deserves to be inscribed in letters of gold upon the regimental flag than that of Siboney, to commemorate those who faced in that slough of despair, that charnel-house of the wrecked army, a

danger and a death more terrible than any they had to fear from the Spanish fire. They sang as they came, and long before they reached the ford I knew it must be a column of the colored troops, as no other men in the army could sing as these men sang, as they came trudging along through the darkness and up to their knees in the mud:

"'When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of woe shall not thee o'erflow.'"

"They sang with their deep, rich voices, as they came up to the ford. I found it was the Twenty-fourth Infantry, which had been ordered back to Siboney to nurse and to guard the sick in the yellow fever hospital." They were under orders to push on and assume their trying duties at daybreak in the morning, so I only had an opportunity to shake by the hand several of my friends in the gallant regiment, and to wish them God-speed as they marched on through the night; but for a long time after the column had disappeared, swallowed up in the darkness, I could hear the deep, manly voices of these brave men, who shirked no duty, whether upon the battlefield or in the noisome pesthouse, singing:

"'I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand,'"

\*The Twenty-fourth Infantry was ordered down to Siboney simply to do guard duty. When the regiment reached the yellow fever hospital it was found to be in a deplorable condition. Men were dying there every hour for the lack of proper nursing. Major Markley, who had commanded the regiment since July 1, when Colonel Liscum was wounded, drew his regiment up in line, and Dr. La Garde, in charge of the hospital, explained the needs of the suffering, at the same time clearly setting forth the danger to men who were not immunes of nursing and attending yellow fever patients. Major Markley then said that any man who wished to volunteer to nurse in the yellow fever hospital could step forward. The whole regiment stepped forward. Sixty men were selected from the volunteers to nurse, and within forty-eight hours forty-two of these brave fellows were down, seriously ill with yellow or pernicious malarial fever. Again the regiment was drawn up in line, and again Major Marklev said that nurses were needed, and that any man who wished to do so could volunteer. After the object lesson which the men received in the last few days of the danger from contagion to which they would be exposed, it was now unnecessary for Dr. La Garde to again warn the brave blacks of the terrible contagion. When the request for volunteers to replace those who had already fallen in the performance of their dangerous and perfectly optional duty was again made the regiment stepped forward as one man. When sent down from the trenches the regiment consisted of eight companies, averaging about forty men each. Of the officers and men who remained on duty during the forty days spent in Siboney, only twenty-four escaped without serious illness, and of this handful, not a few succumbed to fevers on the voyage home and after their arrival at Montauk.

The following is a complete list of those who died at Sihoney:

Captain Charles Dodge.

Co. A - Privates (1) Humphrey Montgomery, (2) James R. Sidden, (3) Isaac A. Laster, (4) Grozier Appleby, (5) Budd Ashton, (6) Frank Carter, (7) W. M. M. Perry.

Co. B.—(1) Corporal Tom Robertson; privates, (2) Edward Penn, (3) Charles Diggs, (4) John Richards.

Co. C.-Privates (1) J. Nelson, (2) Robert Ramsey, (3) John Mealy.

Co D.-Privates (1) Henry Chubbs, (2) John Garrett.

Co. E.-Corporals (1) Charley Wamble, (2) James J. Buford; privates, (3) Abram Bensom, (4) J. P. Phillips.

Co. F.—(1) Corporal Henry A. Shaw; privates (2) Charley Hicks, (3) Richard H. Brown.

Co. G.—Privates (1) Walter Reeves, (2) Effa J. Bassett (3) Herman Rause.

Co. H.—(1) Corporal Lewis Johnston; musicians (2) Robert Brookes, (3) William Brent; privates (4) Carter Boggs, (5) Warren Green, (6) William Mosley, (7) Sandy Smith, (8) Mortimer Spencer, (9) William Griggs, or thirty-six deaths in all, including officers and enlisted men. Some forty men have been discharged from the regiment owing to disabilities resulting from illness which began in the vellow fever hospital.

### Headquarters 9th U. S. V. Infantry,

S. S. MEADE, April 27, 1899.

The following letter is published for the information of the regiment:

HEADORS. DEPT. OF SANTIAGO, ADJT. GENL'S OFFICE, CIVIL DEPT., SANTIAGO DE CUBA, April 25, 1899.

### COLONEL CRANE, oth U.S. V. I.

Sir — Your regiment having been relieved from duty in this department, it gives me great pleasure to assure you that I have always found your regiment to be efficient, well instructed and well disciplined, and that its services, taken as a whole, have been excellent and creditable.

The work done by the officers of the regiment in the suppression of bandits during the last two months has been especially worthy of commendation. I desire to express my appreciation of your own constant and untiring efforts to improve the condition and efficiency of your men, and to look after their welfare, in which endeavors you have been very successful.

Very respectfully,

LEONARD WOOD.

Major Gen. U. S. V., Commanding Dept. of Santiago.

By order of Cotonel Corne.

(Signed)

JAMES LONGSTREET,
First Lieut. 9th U. S. V. I., Adjt.

## Officers, 9th United States Volunteer Infantry.

### REGIMENTAL STAFF OFFICERS.

C. J. CRANE, Colonel.

DUNCAN B. HARRISON, Major.

ARMAND G. ROMAIN, Major.

DAVID M. SELLS, Lieutenant Colonel.

1st LHEUF, JAMES T. ORD, Quartermaster (Detached Service). FIRST LIEUTENANT LONGSTREET, Idjulant.

st LIEUT. J. LEON JONES, Quartermaster. JAMES MITCHELL, Major, Surgeon.

1St LHEUT, ALLEN J. BLACK, ASS' Surgeon.

W. HILARY COSTON, Chaplain.

IST LIEUT, APPLE, ASST Surgeon.

### NON-COMMISSIONED STAFF OFFICERS.

Date of first Ulmess OCL 22, '98	. Oct. 26, '98 . Sept. 8, '98
	Chief Musician . June 24, '98 New Orleans, La Appointed Chief Musician July 18, '98 Oct. 26, '98 Prin. Musician July 18, '98 New Orleans, La Appointed Prin. Musician July 18, '98 Sept. 8, '98 Prin. Musician July 18, '98 New Orleans, La Appointed Prin. Musician July 18, '98
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McCarthy, John D. Minor, John S Dhehe, Joseph E Beverly, James M Rabre, Ferdinand Robinson, David E Robinson, David E	

## MUSTERING OFFICERS FROM THE UNITED STATES ARMY.

CAPTAIN F. II. EDMUNDS, U. S. A., Musicring-in Officer.

DR. DUNBIIIC, U. S. A., Medical Examiner.

### MUSTERING-OUT OFFICERS.

LIEUT, H. J. PRICE, 24th Infantry, U. S. A. CAPT. S. W. MILLER, 5th Infantry, U. S. A. MAJOR W. R. HALL, Surgeon, U. S. A., Medical Officer. LIEUT, JOHN ROBERTSON, 6th Infantry, U.S. A. COL. S. P. JOCELYN, 25th Infantry (Colored), U. S. A.

NOTE - The 9th Regiment United States Volunteer Infantry was mustered into the service of the Government on June 28, 1898, for service during the Spanish-LHEUT, APPLE, 9th Infantry, U. S. A., Ass'l Surgeon. American War. It was mustered out of the service May 25, 1899.

## Band, 9th United States Volunteer Infantry.

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COL. C. J. CRANE.

### Colonel C. J. Crane.

HE organization of the 9th United States Volunteer Infantry was not accomplished without great difficulty and labor. From the inception of the movement to raise this regiment to the hour of its embarkation for Cuba it was opposed, and the most malignant attacks were made upon its patriotic and intrepid organizer. His knowledge of his own excellent military equipment, his long experience with and confidence in the dormant ability of colored men to make ideal soldiers, gave to him mental and physical endurance which inspired his men and won the admiring personal loyalty of his officers. During the short period of not quite two months the regiment was organized, with 1,100 men, sufficiently disciplined and drilled to meet the approval of and to be accepted by the Inspector General of the United States Army, and to convert the virulence of those who had opposed its organization into the highest laudation. With an appreciative knowledge of the facility with which men were enlisted and mustered for the Spanish-American war, the opinion is amply justified that the subject of this sketch made a record as an organizer and disciplinarian that could hardly be duplicated by an investigation which would embrace the entire organizing military service of our army. The organization of the regiment went forward by his touch as if inspired by a magician's wand. Its organization, attended, as it was, by the discipline almost of a martinet, gave at once protection and military training to the men who desired to "avenge the Maine,"

It was the fortune of the regiment to do service upon the Island of Cuba at the point where it disembarked on August 23.

Of the many experiences of the regiment, the saddest and most sudden was the death of Mrs. C. J. Crane, the wife of Colonel Crane. Her death was shocking and paralyzing in its unexpectedness. She was ever active in showing, in many ways, her interest in and care for the soldiers of the entire regiment. The men loved her, and sympathized with their beloved colonel in his and their bereavement.

The service of Colonel Crane has revealed to the government an emergency power of which our government was probably uninformed. It has done much for the African-American. It has discovered to him the value of discipline and the power of trained organization. Colonel Crane has given to the African-American of the south probably his first lesson of liberty under law, and taught him how to secure in the fullest measure the satisfaction found in obedience to orders. The chaplain of the regiment acknowledges his personal indebtedness to Colonel Crane, and indulges the hope that the Captain of the Armies of Right will vouch-safe to him a continued career of usefulness and prosperity in the exalted service of our common country.



Major Duncan B. Harrison.

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AJOR DUNCAN B. HARRISON has probably paid the largest price for the service he has been pleased to render to the men of his regiment than any of his fellow officers. He is of the finest sensibilities, which have moved him to assume the interests of his men when they most needed proection and vindication.

On the 14th of November, 1898, a number of the soldiers of the 9th regiment became involved in a difficulty in a Cuban restaurant. A Cuban policeman, wantonly and without the semblance of justification, shot one of the men. This murderous act caused the loss of probably six innocent lives. Six Cubans and one Spaniard were mercilessly shot by enraged and irresponsible persons. For this crime two men, whose connection in the slightest degree was an absolute impossibility, were arrested and, after three months' confinement in prison at Santiago, were tried and vindicated by a military court, the personnel of which was of southern origin. Major Harrison was their principal attorney, and for having proved their innocence he has been most scandalously assailed. This has been done especially by papers which accept an accusation against an African-American as proof of his guilt.

Major Harrison is a gentleman, a soldier, and his devotion to the interests of his men has won for him their affections to an immeasurable degree. The Cuban sun, during the months of their service in that island, was never too hot, nor the rain too severe, nor has the possibility of contagion of the many dangerous fevers been too great to deter him from interesting himself in the cause of a needy soldier, or to take him, when he has fallen upon the march or drill, or has been seized with one of those deadly fevers, in his strong arms to the hospital, and there to administer to his needs as gently as if he were his own kith and kin. He is free to a remarkable degree from racial bias, and while he is kind and sympathetic, he is still the disciplinarian and soldier, who wing the confidence and love, and demands the respect and absolute obedience of his men.

The heroism displayed by Major Harrison has made the people of the United States his debtor to a large degree. It saved the entire regiment from almost certain death and the nation from a calamity which would have had a demoralizing effect upon our arms everywhere. Almost the entire regiment was prostrated upon San Juan Hill by that deadly disease, yellow fever. In the tents and company streets men lay ill, suffering keenly. Though ill himself, and nearly exhausted by a vigil of many hours, he walked through the streets as though immune from death, directed his line officers to a faithful discharge of duties new to military experience, and by his example and hopeful words quickened the spirits and stimulated the courage of the sufferers for the struggle with disease which brought many from the valley and shadow of death to a new lease of life and usefulness.



CHAPLAIN W. HILARY COSTON

### W. Hilary Coston.

HILARY COSTON was born at Providence, R. I. He attended the public schools of that city until he was seven years of age, when his parents moved to New Haven, Conn. Here he was again entered into the public schools. At the age of sixteen, by a fortunate circumstance, he secured the janitorship of Hopkins Grammar School, Yale Preparatory, which he attended for several years, when he was sent to Wilberforce University, from which he entered Yale Divinity School. He graduated in the class of '84, and immediately entered the ministry of the A. M. E. Church. He has had the varying fortunes of the ministry, and considers himself favored in having been privileged to contribute to the educational, moral and Christian influences which are lifting the American people into a higher appreciation of the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. He was appointed to the chaplaincy of the 9th United States Volunteer Infantry by President William McKinley, which office was vacated by Rev. W. T. Walker, D.D., who had resigned it, to the deep regret of the men of the regiment, by whom he was highly appreciated and intensely loved. The Reverend Mr. Walker is of pleasing appearance, easy of approach, and of tender sympathies. He has the reputation of being one of the most eloquent members of the Afro-American ministry.

Chaplain Coston has appreciated his opportunity for exceptional service, and while he has not been privileged to preach at regular intervals, he has in a commendable measure adapted himself to army life, and has tried to so come in contact with the men of the regiment as to impress them with the fact that Christ's life and work are being perpetuated and accomplished by a ministry which "goes about doing good."



### J. Leon Jones.

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THE subject of this sketch, Lieut. J. Leon Jones,\* regimental quartermaster of the 9th United States Volunteer Infantry, was born in Houston, Texas, August 3, 1874, and is, therefore, but 24 years old.

When it was announced that several immune regiments of volunteers would be organized in the south to take part in the Spanish-American war. Lieutenant Jones, on account of prior military teaching, as an officer of the "Cocke" Rifles, of the state militia, and a special desire to go to war, to do his duty in defense of his country's flag, assisted very materially in organizing Co. "I," oth United States Volunteer Infantry, whose home name was given in honor of Hon. Henry C. Ferguson, and known as the "Ferguson Rifles," Col. Crane, commanding the 9th regiment, had been ordered to New Orleans, La., by the War Department, to organize and mobilize the regiment at that point. The "Ferguson Rifles" being accepted as one of the companies of the regiment, Lieutenant Jones went with it as first sergeant. Shortly afterwards the regiment left for Cuba, and in three months after the organization of the regiment, he was one of the regimental non-commissioned staff officers, having been appointed regimental quartermaster sergeant, October 1, 1898. He served in that capacity with great credit until the 12th day of April, 1899, when he was notified by the Adjutant General of the army of his appointment that day as a second lieutenant in the regiment. He was at the time acting as district commissary of subsistence of Mayari, Cuba, and was continued in that capacity until the 24th of the same month, when Colonel Crane appointed him regimental quartermaster and commissary of subsistence, relieving First Lieutenant James T. Ord (white). The position is one of honor, he being on the colonel's personal staff. Aside from the regimental chaplain, he is the only colored officer in any of the regiments having a white staff and colored officers of the line, to fill a similar position. Lieutenant Jones, though young, in the short space of ten months worked up from the position of an enlisted man to one of the most highly responsible positions in the regiment. He enjoys the confidence and esteem of all his brother officers and of the men in the regiment. His is a brilliant and shining example for others to follow. As yet he is not fully decided on his future, though he is thinking very seriously of continuing in the service. We predict for him a brilliant future as a military man.

<sup>\*</sup>Promoted First Lieutenant by special order War Department, May 17, 1899.



SURRENDER TREE, UNDER WHICH TERMS OF SURRENDER OF THE ISLAND OF CUBA WERE MADE.



LIEUT. COL. DAVID M. SELLS.

### First Battalion

LIEUT. COL. D. M. SELLS COMMANDING.



### GEORGE H. NELSON.

GEORGE H. NELSON was born in New Orleans, La., October 12, 1870. His father having died when a small boy, he was adopted by a Congregational minister named Rev. Isaac H. Hall, who educated and cared for him as one of his own children. Lieutenant Nelson graduated from Straight University, New Orleans, class of '9', with the degree of B.S. Three years later he graduated from the Medical Department of the New Orleans University with the degree of M.D. For two sessions he was instructor in analytical chemistry. He was also organist of the Morris Brown Congregational church for more than fifteen years.

When the call for volunteers was made by President McKinley, Lieutenant Nelson was the captain of an independent military company called the "Faith Cadets," whose motto was "Courage and Faith." This company was organized in August, 1887. On May 30, 1890, this company, with others, participated in the memorial services of the colored G. A. R. of Mississippi and Louisiana, at the National Cemetery "Chalmette," when Lieutenant Nelson's company fired the first volley over the nation's dead in that cemetery. But soon a bill was passed in Louisiana making it a crime for an independent military company to exist without a special permission from the governor. This permit could never be secured, and the company was allowed to sleep quietly on until the call was made. Then, like a flash, the company was called together. Circulars were issued calling upon the men to assemble at the old headquarters. This they did, officers were elected, and they with patience waited for developments. When the 9th Regiment was organized, the "Faith Cadets" offered their services in a body, which were accepted by Col. C. J. Crane, and mustered into service as Co A, June 20, 1898, at Camp Corbin, New Orleans, La., with James C. Simpson captain, Geo. H. Nelson first lieutenant, and Ed. H. Phillips second lieutenant. Lieutenant Nelson was commissioned June 25, 1898.



### E. H. PHILLIPS.

La. He attended the public schools until eleven years old, when the death of his father compelled him to leave school and assist in the support of his five younger brothers. He has been a bootblack, newsboy, peddler, farmer and book agent, and is now a wholesale and retail dealer in coal. In 1887 he

became a member of the Faith Cadets, a military organization of New Orleans, and rose from the ranks to first lieutenant, the position he held when the body was disbanded by an act of the Legislature.

On April 21, 1898, he telegraphed to the governor of the state for permission to organize a company (it being a misdemeanor punishable by six months' imprisonment to do so without his consent), and without waiting for an answer hoisted a flag over his place of business, drew up a call for volunteers, and began to enroll names. This organization, the First Louisiana Colored Volunteers, was the first volunteer organization in the state, and, as Co. A, became the nucleus of Col. C. J. Crane's regiment, the 9th U. S. Volunteer Infantry (Immunes), in which he was commissioned second lieutenant. He was appointed adjutant of the first battalion by Lieut.-Col. D. M. Sells, and held that position until his company and Co. C were ordered on detached service at El Cobre, Cuba, where he was appointed quartermaster, which he remained until his regiment was ordered home. On account of his small stature he is known in the regiment as "Little Regular." What is thought of him by his superiors is best shown by the following:

"As your captain I take great pleasure in recognizing your worth and ability, and the great assistance you have rendered me in bringing my company up to its present standard of efficiency."

James C. Simpson, Capt. 9th U. S. V. I., Com'dg. Co. A.

"EL COBRE, CUBA, April 10, '99.

"I appointed you quartermaster of this detachment, knowing you to be honest and trustworthy."

E. I. Shearman,

Capt. 9th U. S. V. I., Com'dg. Detachment.



### W. H. FRANKLIN.

WILLIAM H. FRANKLIN, first lieutenant, appointed August 16, 1898. Born in Gallatin, Summer county, Tenn, March 25, 1857. Enlisted in 24th Infantry, April 16, 1876, and served continuously as private, corporal, sergeant and first sergeant in Cos. J and E, 24th Infantry, to August 17, 1898. Was in the engagements before Santiago, Cuba, from July 1, 1898. Appointed first lieutenant August 16, 1898, while serving as first sergeant Co. E, 24th Infantry, at Siboney, Cuba. He accepted his commission August 18, 1898.



ROMAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL, SANTIAGO



BARRACKS OF COS. A AND C AT EL COBRE.



HENRY O. FRANKLIN, Second Lieutenant, Co. C.

### JOHN W. BROWN.

JOHN W. BROWN, second lieutenant, appointed October 24, 1898. He was born at Falmouth, Stafford county, Va., May 5, 1856. He enlisted April 24, 1876, in the United States Army, and was assigned to Co. D, 24th Infantry, July 12, 1876, and was discharged as a sergeant April 23, 1881. He reënlisted May 20 of the same year, and was assigned to Troop C, 9th United States Cavalry, and served as a private, corporal, sergeant, first sergeant and saddler sergeant. He was appointed second lieutenant in the 9th United States Volunteer Infantry regiment, accepted the commission on October 26, 1898, and joined the regiment at San Luis, Cuba, on December 6, 1898.

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### HENRY O. FRANKLIN.

HENRY O. FRANKLIN, second lieutenant, 9th United States Volunteer Infantry, was born in the town of Thibodeaux, parish of Lafourche, state of Louisiana, March 25, 1874. He attended the Thibodeaux public schools and Straight University, the A. M. A. school at New Orleans, and also Meilley's commercial night school in New Orleans. He has had continuous employment with different commercial firms in New Orleans ever since he left Straight University, ten years ago, and was employed at the Citizens' Bank of Louisiana for six years previous to his appointment in the 9th United States Volunteer Infantry, June 25, 1898, which position is still open to him when the regiment is mustered out. But Lieutenant Franklin intends to quit the south and seek a home in some of the new possessions of the United States as soon as he is discharged from the service

Lieutenant Franklin is a member of Central church, and for three years was president of its board of trustees. He was also president of the Y. P. S. C. E., and for some time superintendent of the Sabbath school of Central church. This is one of the largest Congregational churches in the south. He was the secretary of the local Christian Endeavor Union of New Orleans, which organization sent him as their representative to the Boston C. E. convention in 1895.

Up until 1888, Lieutenant Franklin's father was considered one of the wealthiest and most prosperous colored men in Louisiana. He was, however, forced to leave his home, Thibodeaux, by the "regulators," at the time aforesaid, and since then has been a resident of New Orleans.

Lieutenant Franklin's first duty in Cuba was guarding the Spanish prisoners taken on San Juan Hill, August 25, 1898. He was in command of roads that led from the hill (San Juan) when the Spanish soldiers saw the last of San Juan, and passed out to embark for Spain. He was a member of the first general court martial for the military district of Mayari, and adjutant of the El Cobre detachment of the 9th United States Volunteer Infantry, consisting of Companies A and C. He hoisted the first American flag that floated over the town of El Cobre.



STERLING PRICE BROWN, First Lieutenant, commanding Co. D.

### STERLING PRICE BROWN.

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THE subject of this sketch, Sterling Price Brown, was born in Atlanta, Ga., December 23, 1863. He attended the public schools of Atlanta until he reached the age of fourteen. He attended the Central Tennessee College, at Nashville, Tennessee, where he completed the academic course in four years. He entered the Meharry Medical College in 1881, and after three years of faithful study he graduated with distinguished honors, and was unanimously selected by the faculty to be the valedictorian of his class. After receiving the degree of M.D. he went to New Orleans, La., and successfully passed the examination that admitted him to the practice of his chosen profession.

When the first call was made for volunteers to take up arms in the defense of their country, Dr. Brown gave up his practice, and assisted in organizing the 9th U. S. V. Infantry. After the regiment was organized, its services were offered to the Governor of the state, as part of that state's quota called for by the Secretary of War. The Governor refused to accept the regiment, as the laws of Louisiana forbid a military organization of negroes. The regiment was then offered to the President of the United States, who had already appointed Col. Charles J. Crane to organize a regiment in the states of Louisiana and Texas. When Colonel Crane went to New Orleans to organize the 9th U. S. V. Infantry, Dr. Brown was among the first to be appointed a first lieutenant, and was assigned to duty with Co. "D."

During the labor strike in New Orleans in 1895, when the colored screwsmen and longshoremen were driven from the wharf by a mob of white hoodlums, and their tools thrown into the Mississippi river, Dr. Brown was among the first of his race to offer his services to the laboring men of that city. He gave them the use of his office, which was near the Cotton Exchange, and acted as secretary of the joint conference committees that were selected by the colored and white organizations to settle the labor trouble. At that time fighting was going on continuously, and the cowards made it a point to shoot at every colored man that came in range of their guns. Carey, Allen & Co., two of the most prominent colored labor leaders in the city, organized a stevedore firm, and signed a contract with M. J. Saunders, agent of the West India Steamship Company, to load and unload all the ships of that line. When the first ship, the William Cliffe, came into port, and the men went to Southport to see to the unloading of their tools, which they had secured from Mobile, Ala., they were surrounded by over 500 men, who were in ambush, who began firing upon the men with Winchester rifles, killing and wounding a great many. Among the many wounded was H. H. Carey, the senior partner of the colored stevedore firm. Carey was deserted by most of his comrades, who were unarmed, and not prepared to meet such a body of armed foes. Carey, single-handed and alone, stood off the entire mob and sent many of the hoodlums to their last resting place. Dr. Brown took up the fight that had been started by Carey, and, with the colored screwsmen and longshoremen, loaded the first ship that was loaded during the entire labor troubles. It is needless to say that it required a man that had no fear of his personal safety to undertake such a dangerous task. But, loving his people, he was willing to sacrifice his life in their behalf. To-day the laboring men of his race are enjoying the fruits of his daring,

Lieutenant Brown is among the most efficient lieutenants of the regiment. He



THOMAS C. BUTLER, Second Lieutenant, Co. D.

was peculiarly fortunate in being in temporary command of the second battalion at the time of the official inspection by Gen. C. J. Breckenbridge, U. S. A. That officer said that he had long desired to see a battalion or regiment officered by colored officers. The battalion was drilled by the lieutenant in the school of the battalion with so great efficiency, and passed in review with so perfect cadence, that it won for its young officer and itself the respect and high laudation of this veteran of two wars.

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### THOMAS C. BUTLER.

THE subject of this sketch, Second Lieutenant Thomas C. Butler, was born in the city of Baltimore. He left home when quite young, and attended school at the St. Mary College for priests, in Annapolis, Maryland, under the most austere and religious of teachers, "Jesuit priests." At an early age he became a sailor, and followed the sea until 1887, when, after being shipwrecked on Cape Hatteras, N. C., he joined the now famous 9th U. S. Regular Cavalry, colored. The Lieutenant speaks with undiguised but pardonable pride of the part his regiment took during the Sioux campaign of 1890-91. He was then a non-commissioned officer of Troop D of that regiment, which company was "rear guard" during the night the regiment made the forced march from Harney Springs to Pine Ridge Agency, to be engaged next morning, December 30, 1890, and had not brought in their lost when, on the same day, in the evening, they were ordered to the rescue from probable annihilation the gallant but unlucky 7th U. S. Regular Cavalry.

During the Spanish-American war he served his country as private in Company H, 25th U. S. Infantry, which made the famous charge against the stone fort at El Caney. The *Army and Navy Journal* of October 22, 1898, says: "He and another man, on their own responsibility, quietly worked their way in front of the general line, and captured the Spanish flag," for which brave act he was appointed a second lieutenant in the 9th U. S. V. Infantry.



# Company A, 9th United States Volunteer Infantry.

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C. D. WOOD, Captain.\*

G. H. NELSON. First Lieutement. E.	E. II. PIIILLIPS, Second Lientenant.
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Le Blanc, Isidore Q. M. Sergeant June 10, '98 New Orleans, La.	as, La July I
JONES, NICHOLAS, JR Sergeant June 10, '98 New Orleans, La.	ns, La July
Pendleton, John W Sergeant June 14, '98 New Orleans, La.	18, La Changed from Quartermaster Sergeant to Oct. 1.
Madison, James Sergeant June 14, '98 New Orleans, La.	
Dorsey, John Sergeant	Appointed Corporal July 15, '98'; appointed Sergeant Mar. 14, '99.
Tate, Eugene Corporal June 10, '98 New Orleans, La.	
Derrigan, Thomas Corporal June 15, '98 New Orleans, La.	ns, La Vice Eugene Tate Ang. 1
RICHARDSON, WILLIAM Corporal June 11, '98 New Orleans, La.	ns, La.
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Broussard, Joseph Corporal June 13, '98 New Orleans, La.	18, La Vice Wallace Mitchell July 2
Carter, Milton Corporal June 14, '98 New Orleans, La.	as, La.
Willson, James Corporal June 11, '98 New Orleans, La.	as, La
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7	Dyer, Ellis Private	ite	June 10, '98	New Orleans, La		Sept. 9, '98
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	Grant, Ferdinand Private	ate	June 11, '98	New Orleans, La		. July 13, '98
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# Company B, 9th United States Volunteer Infantry.

1st BATTALION, LIEUT, COL. D. M. SELLS COMMANDING.

### SIDNEY GOODE, Captain.

## WILLIAM H. FRANKLIN, First Lieutenant. J. W. BROWN, Second Lieutenant.\*

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# Company C, 9th United States Volunteer Infantry.

1st BATTALION, LIEUT, COL. D. M. SELLS COMMANDING.

### E. J. SHEARMAN, Captain.\*

H. O. FRANKLIN, Second Lieutenant.† J. T. BECKAM, First Lieutenant.

Date of first Illnes	$\dots \dots July 25, 9$	Sept. 8, '9	July 10, '9	a July 25, '98	July 17, '98	8 June 22, '96	duced Sept. 4, '9,	Corporal July 6, '98	, Cuba . Sept. 5, '96	$\dots \dots \text{July 5, '9}$	Sept. 4, '96	July 22, '98	July 20, '98	Sept. 6, '98	Robinson, Nov. 1	Chompson, Sept.
Remarks				Died Sept. 29, at Santiago, Cuba		Transferred to Band Sept. 3, '98		Appointed Corporal Dec. 8, '98, vice Corporal Nelson, reduced.	Killed Jan. 26, '99, at El Cobre, Cuba						Appointed Corporal March 9, '99, vice Robinson, Nov. 10, '96 discharged	
Place of Enrollment	New Orleans, La.	New Orleans, La.	New Orleans, La.	New Orleans, La.	New Orleans, La.	New Orleans, La.	New Orleans, La.	New Orleans, La.	New Orleans, La.	New Orleans, La.	New Orleans, La.	New Orleans, La.	New Orleans, La.	New Orleans, La.	New Orleans, La.	New Orleans, La.
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† Sept. 11, '98.

\* Date of first illness, Sept. 4' '98.

Transferred to Band Aug. 1, '98				Died Sept. 29,'98, at Santiago, Cuba Sept. 5, '98	Appointed Company Cook Sept. 4, '98							Killed Nov. 14, '98, at San Luis, Cuba July 9, '98	89' ,8 ylul		Died Oct. 30, '98, at San Luis, Cuba Sept. 6, '98		86, '7 yluly			, . Transferred to Band Aug. 1, '98 $$ July 12, '98 $$		June 18, '98
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Narcisse, Joseph Private June 18, '98 New Orleans, La Died Nov. 7, '98, at San Luis, Cuba	
Private $$ June 17, $^{9}8$ New Orleans, La Reduced from Corporal to ranks $$	. Sept. 6, '98
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Robinson, Daniel Private June 10, 198 New Orleans, La	. Aug. 5, '98
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Private June 17, '98 New Orleans, La Company Tailor	. Aug. 14, '98
Private June 18, '98 New Orleans, La	. Aug. 30, '98
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Smith, Henry Private June 16, '98 New Orleans, La Ju	. July 15, '98



Thompson, Henry . . . . Private . . . . . June 17, '08 . . New Orleans, La. . . Reduced from Corporal to ranks . . . . July 25, '98

# Company D, 9th United States Volunteer Infantry.

1st BATTALION, LIEUT. COL. D. M. SELLS COMMANDING.

### GEORGE LEA FEBIGER, Captain.\*

S. P. BROWN, First Lientenant.† T. C. BUTLER, Second Lientenant.‡	Kank   Date of Enrollment   Place of Eurollment   Execlent non-commissioned officer. Appointed July   1 and 20, '98   New Orleans, La.   10,'98, vice Thomas II Junes, dishonorably discharged.	Q. M. Sergeant June 18, '98 New Orleans, La Excellent non-commissioned officer	ANK Sergeant June 20, 98 New Orleans, Lat Bischarged from service Mar. no, '99, from Josiah Simpson July 14, '98 RS, WM Sergeant June 20, '98 New Orleans, Lat Hospital, Fortress Monroe, Va., per Sur. Cert. of Disability. July 14, '98	. Sergeant June 10, '98 New Orleans, La Appointed Jan. 1, '99 Sept.	Sergeant	Sergeant June 24, 90 New Orleans, 12a Appointed Sergeant April 20, '99	Corporal June 13, '98 New Orleans, La	ENRY Corporal June 20, '98 New Orleans, La Mail Carrier, per orders regimental contract of the so '08 New Orleans, La	Corporal June 20, '98 New Orleans, La Appointed March 12, '99	Corporal June 21, '98 New Orleans, La	, Corporal , June 17, '98 $$ . , New Orleans, La	. Corporal June 20, '98 New Orleans, La Appointed April 11, '99	AR Corporal June 20, '98 New Orleans, La Appointed April 20, '99 July 5, '98	*George Lea Febiger, Captain, vice W. A. Dayton, resigned 48. P. Brown, First Licat., commanding company. ‡T. C. Butler, Second Licat., vice Philip Philipson, resigned
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Date of first Illness			Aug. 30, '98	July 26, '98	July 15, '98	Aug. 10, '98	July 5, '98	July 6, '98	July 5, '98	Sept. 9, '98	Sept. 8, '98	Oct. 1, '98	July 31, '98		July 15, '98			July 15, '98	July 5, '98	Aug. 14, '98	
	Appointed Company Clerk April 20, '99 .	Fransferred to Regimental Band, Aug. 1, '98, per order regimental commander.	$A_1$	nf · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Killed Aug. 21, '98, at New Orleans, 1.a., Au while resisting arrest by civil authority.	af · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	nf	nf · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	S	S	0	nf · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Reduced from Corporal to ranks, Oct. 8, '98	n[	Transferred to Band Aug. 1, '98	Reduced from Corporal to ranks, Jan. 3'99.		Detached service, Santiago de Cuba, from . Ju Feb. 12 to April 26, '99.		Nurse in regimental hospital
Place of Enrollment	New Orleans, La Appo	New Orleans, La Trans	. New Orleans, La	New Orleans, La	New Orleans, La	New Orleans, La whi	New Orleans, La	New Orleans, La	New Orleans, La	. New Orleans, La	New Orleans, La	. New Orleans, La	. New Orleans, La	New Orleans, La Reduc	New Orleans, La	New Orleans, La	New Orleans, La Reduc	New Orleans, La	. , New Orleans, La. Detac	New Orleans, La.	New Orleans, La Nurs
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Name	Dormer, Emile	Drayton, Lewis	Fernandez, Julius	Foster, Louis	Gaudines, Jules .	Garrett. Willie	Guichard, Peter.	Hope, George.	Hubert, Thomas.	Hunter, Frank.	Jackson, Gus.	Jackson, Wright.	Johnson, Willie	Labarrosiers. Ernest	Lavaux, Lucien.	Lecond, Octave	Lewis, Robert .	Martin, Richard.	McKinney, Abson	McWay, Briscoe	Moore, Willie

New Orleans, La	New Orleans, La Appointed Hospital Steward April 20, '99 July 9, '98  New Orleans, La	New Orleans, La Reduced from Corporal April 20, '99 July 5, '98 New Orleans, La Died Oct. 9, '98, at San Luis, Cuba July 6, '98 New Orleans, La Transferred to Band Aug 1, '98, per orders regimental commander.	New Orleans, La		Died Sept. 29, '98, San Luis, Cuba Second Company Cook	New Orleans, La.	New Orleans, La
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A born soldier and an excellent officer. Upon the efficiency of the First Sergeant the strength of a company depends.

### Second Battalion

MAJOR D. B. HARRISON COMMANDING.



### EDWARD WILLIAMS.

EDWARD WILLIAMS, First Lieutenant 9th United States Volunteer Infantry, was born in Centerville, Hickman county, Tenn. He enlisted for service in the 24th Infantry, U. S. A., on January 19, 1876. He served continuously in that regiment as a private, corporal, sergeant and first sergeant until October 26, 1898, on which date he was appointed to a first lieutenancy in the 9th U. S. Volunteer Infantry, which commission he accepted. At the time of his appointment as first lieutenancy of Co. E, 9th United States Volunteer Infantry, and assumed the command of that company on December 6, 1898 (the captain being absent on sick leave), per Special Order No. 111, headquarters of the 9th United States Volunteer Infantry, at camp near San Luis, Cuba. He was in the engagements of the Fifth Army Corps, and served in Cuba from June 25 to July 15, 1898. His continuous service in the United States Army has embraced twenty-three years, six months and twelve days.

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### LAFAYETTE THARP.

LAFAYETTE THARP was born in Lafayette county, Ark. At the time of the raising and mustering of the 9th Regiment United States Volunteer Infantry, he was president of the C. L. M.'s Alliance, an organization of 12,000 men, of New Orleans. By this position of influence, he was able and did render to the organizing officer, Col. C. J. Crane, invaluable assistance, and was by him recommended for a second lieutenancy, to which he was appointed, and assigned to Company E. He acted as chaplain of the regiment until the Rev. T. Walker was appointed, and was then assigned to special duty.



WILLIAM WILKES, First Lieutenant, Co. G.

### W. H. ROBINSON.

TIRST LIEUT. W. H. ROBINSON was born in the city of New Orleans on January 24. 1866, of a combination of Georgia and Mississippi ancestry, his grandmother, Lucy Gordon, at the time of her death 1850 being one of the oldest citizens of the city of Savannah, having spent a while under Governor Oglethorpe's administration as British Governor of the colonies. He received the greater portion of his education in the public schools of the city, and partially completed the same at the Straight University an institution founded by the American Congregational Society for the education of the colored race in Louisiana. He has held several positions of trust. Upon the organization of the 9th United States Volunteers, he joined as a second lieutenant, coming to Cuba and sharing the fate of the boys at San Juan Hill, having had a spell of vellow fever for twenty-one days, and expected at one time to be leit to sleep the sleep that knows no waking. Recovering, he rejoined his command, which had moved up to San Luis, a mountain town. On October 15, First Lieutenant Charles W. Fillmore resigned and left Second Lieutenant Robinson in command of the company, he being the only officer with the command, Captain Patrick having resigned at Camp Corbin, before leaving New Orleans. He served as commander of the company until the arrival of Capt. Edw. B. Markley, deceased, son of Major Markley, of San Juan Hill fame, who commanded a battalion of the Twenty-fourth Infantry. He served as assistant regimental quartermaster, and was appointed regimental treasurer by Col. Chas. J. Crane. He removed with a detachment to Songo, another town higher up in the mountains, and was appointed detachment quartermaster and assistant commissary sergeant. While thus serving, he was promoted to the position of first lieutenant, April 13, 1899, through the recommendation of Colonel Crane.

### WILLIAM WILKES.

ILLIAM WILKES was born in Columbia, Maury county, Tenn., June 29, 1856. He enlisted January 10, 1876, at Nashville, Tenn., and from there was sent to Columbus Barracks, Ohio, and later to Fort Duncan, Texas, a small army post, where he was assigned to Company F. 24th Infantry, March 31, 1876. He was appointed corporal August 1, 1876, and sergeant January 1, 1877. The regiment changed stations from Texas to Indian Territory November, 1880. He was discharged January 9, 1881, at the cantonment at North Fork, Canadian River, Indian Territory. He reënlisted at St. Louis. Mo., February 4, 1881, was assigned to the 9th Cavalry, and joined Troop L March 24, 1881, at Fort Bliss, Texas. From May 20 to November he was in the field in New Mexico, scouting for Indians. The regiment changed stations December, 1881, to Fort Riley, Kansas,

where he saw field service in Colorado in 1882. He was appointed corporal August 7, 1883, and saw field service in the Indian Territory. The regiment left Fort Riley June 13, 1885, on an overland march through Kansas and Nebraska. arriving at Fort McKinney, Wyoming, August 19, 1885. Appointed sergeant December 2, 1885. Discharged February 3, 1886. Reënlisted at Fort Leavenworth. Kansas, February 26, 1886, for Company F, 24th Infantry. Appointed sergeant May 7, 1886. Changed stations from Fort Elliott, Texas, to Fort Bayard, New Mexico, lune, 1888. Discharged at Fort Bayard February 25, 1891. Reënlisted at Fort Bayard February 26, 1801. Discharged at Fort Bayard February 25, 1806. Reënlisted at Fort Bayard February 26, 1896. Changed station to Fort Douglas. Utah, October, 1896. Left this post April 20, 1898, for Chickamauga Park, Georgia. Left there for Tampa, Fla., April 30. The regiment, receiving orders about June 7 to embark for Cuba, boarded the transport City of Washington at Tanpa, and a few days later sailed for Cuba, arriving at Santiago about June 21, and debarking at Sibony, June 25. In the battles at San Juan, Cuba, from July 1 to July 14, the officers of Company F were both wounded in the early part of the first day's fight. William Rainey, first sergeant of the company, bravely conducted the company to the top of San Iuan Hill, aided by the other non-commissioned officers. July 14 the regiment was ordered back to Siboney, to act as nurses at the fever hospital. August 3, Lieutenant Wilkes took the fever, left the Island August 25 for the United States, debarked at Montauk Point, L. I., September 3, and from there went to Fort Douglas, Utah. He was appointed first lieutenant of the oth United States Volunteer Infantry October 24, 1898, and joined the regiment December 7, 1898, in camp near San Luis, Cuba.

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### WALLACE D. SEALS.

CECOND LIEUT, WALLACE D. SEALS was born in Cherokee, Cherokee county, Texas, December 5, 1862. Shortly after was conveyed to a little town called Cedar Bayou. After six years had passed his parents became convinced, from the flying bullets of the so-called Ku-Klux, that it was time to find a new hiding place, Galveston being their choice. Sacrifice sales were made of both land and stock. Then, in company with other families, they made their escape by night on board the schooner Hard Times. After a night and day's sail they reached Galveston, where they located. After the death of his father, he entered the employ of the G. C. and S. F. R. R., where he served fifteen years in the freight department. During that time he joined a military company known as the "Lincoln Guards," of Galveston. Soon be became the best in the company in drill, a fact which was tested by a drill for a gold medal. Shortly after he was appointed first sergeant, in which capacity he served four years. He was then elected second lieutenant. After the expiration of his commission he was asked to accept the captaincy of the company, but his work would not allow it. Being a member of the Cotton Jammers and Longshoremen's



Wallace D. Seals, Second Lieutenant, Co. G. (Resigned, April, '99-)



H. HERMAN BLUNT, First Lieutenant, Co. H.

Association, he was forced to quit the G. C. and S. F. R. R. to jam cotton. Shortly afterward he was appointed cotton clerk. The next season the association received a new line of ships, when he was elected cotton clerk and paymaster, with a pay-roll of thirty and forty dollars per week. He remained in this business until he joined the army for the Spanish-American war. In June his company, known as the "Hawley Rifles," left Galveston to join the regiment at New Orleans. On the 17th day of August the regiment boarded the steamship Berlin for Cuba. After a five days' voyage the Berlin anchored in the harbor of Santiago. On the evening of the 23d the troops disembarked and marched to San Juan Hill, where they camped in the road that night and climbed the hill next morning. In about two weeks nearly the entire regiment was taken sick. This was a distressful time, men sickening and dying rapidly. The regiment put in eight hard months in Cuba and lost a large number of men, including two lieutenants and one captain.

Lieutenant Seals is of the opinion that Americans can endure the climate of

Cuba, provided they are not overzealous in work and drill.

### H. HERMAN BLUNT.

ROMINENT among the brave soldier boys who have had the distinction of representing the African race in the late unpleasantness with Spain, few of those who have gone bravely to the front are so deserving of most respectful mention as the subject of this sketch. It argues little whether a man who has voluntarily enlisted in defense of his country sees active service or not. The fact that he offers himself a willing sacrifice should the necessity demand, fully entitles him to a share of whatever glory attaches to the arms of his country. But it is to be doubted whether active service in the field requires more heroism than garrison duty in such a plague-stricken country as Cuba, where Lieutenant Blunt's regiment was stationed.

Aside from any hero warship, it is a double pleasure to contemplate one who combines so many excellent qualities for a place of authority in the service as Lieut. H. Herman Blunt. Col. Charles J. Crane says of him that he was one of the best officers in his regiment. But those who know him best need no evidence to convince them that he does nothing but what he makes it harder for somebody else to give satisfaction at the same job. Lieutenant Blunt can feel well and justly assured of the admiration of every loyal American by reason of the high post of honor which he occupied in the war with Spain, and the splendid manner in which he executed the trust.

Lieutenant Blunt enjoys the distinction of being the only colored officer assigned to command a military post, among the many assignments made by Col.



STEPHEN G. STARR, Second Lieutenant, Co. H.

Charles J. Crane; viz., Cristo, Cuba. On account of the efficiency developed he was placed in command of Co. E, to straighten out its affairs, which was done very creditably. Later, the captain of Co. H being absent, he was assigned to command the company, and prepared it for the muster out, at Camp Meade, near Middletown, Penna. Cool, suave, courageous and discreet, he adroitly accomplished that which many considered impracticable, and bridged over difficulties which seemed impossible to others, thus evincing administrative abilities of a high order. Lieutenant Blunt's record thus far gives promise of a career highly beneficial to his people and honorable to himself as well as the race he represents.

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### STEPHEN GALVESTON STARR.

TEPHEN G. STARR was born Feb. 5, 1845, in the Republic of Mexico, in the city of Buena Vista, of African and Mexican parentage. From the age of 10 to 16 years he served as a sheep herder and cowboy. He came to the United States in 1863, and enlisted in the Federal army Dec. 9, 1864, and was assigned to the 65th Volunteer Infantry Dec. 12, 1864. Went to the front with his regiment Dec. 20; was in action Dec. 27; wounded in the battle of Port Hudson, Dec. 29; discharged Sept. 14, 1865. Reënlisted in the 41st Regular Infantry Jan. 7, 1867; discharged Jan. 6, 1870. Reënlisted in the 2.1th Infantry July 16, 1870; discharged July 15, 1875. Reënlisted Sept. 20, 1877; discharged Sept. 19, 1882. Reënlisted Oct. 16, 1882; discharged Oct. 15, 1887. Reënlisted in the General Service, Detachment of Messengers, in 1887; discharged Oct. 15, 1892. Reënlisted in General Service, Detachment of Messengers, Oct. 16, 1892; discharged by an Act of Congress Aug. 6, 1894. Reënlisted in the 24th Infantry Nov. 5, 1894; discharged Nov. 4, 1897. Reënlisted Nov. 5, 1897; went to the front with the 24th Infantry; was in action at San Juan Hill July 1st, 2nd and 3rd; ordered to the United States Aug. 25, 1898. Received a commission as second lieutenant Nov. 28, 1898. He has served in all the grades of a non-commissioned officer in the 65th, 41st and 24th Infantry, General Service, Detachment of Messengers, Tenth Cavalry, and 9th United States Volunteer Infantry.

He has seen service all over the south and northwest; he has taken part in all the Indian wars in the United States from 1868 to 1885. There is but one court-martial recorded against him in all of his service. As for education, he has but little, his only opportunity being a post school.



# Company E, 9th United States Volunteer Infantry.

2nd BATTALION, MAJOR DUNCAN B. HARRISON COMMANDING.

### C. G. BECKHAM, Captain.

## EDWARD WILLIAMS, First Lieutenant.\* LAFAYETTE THARP, Second Lieutenant.

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	Owens, Charles Private June 17, '98 New Orleans, La
	Patrick, Austin Private June 25, '98 New Orleans, La
	Peters, Jules Private June 25, '98 New Orleans, La
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	Robinson, David F Private June 16, '98 New Orleans, La
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# Company F, 9th United States Volunteer Infantry.

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# Company G, 9th United States Volunteer Infantry.

2nd BATTALION, MAJOR DUNCAN B HARRISON, COMMANDING,

WILLIAM M. BROWN, Captain.\*

WALLACE D. SEALS, Second Lieutenant.† WILLIAM WILKES, First Licutenant.

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<sup>\*</sup>William M. Brown, Captain (first illness Nov. 28, '98), vice H. A. Chanler (first illness July 27, '98).

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# Company H, 9th United States Volunteer Infantry.

2nd BATTALION, MAJOR DUNCAN B. HARRISON COMMANDING.

## R. M. NOLAN. Captain.

## S. G. STARR. Second Lieutenant. H. HERMAN BLUNT, First Lieutemant.

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Baptiste, Joseph	. Private June 30, '98	86, ,0	New Orleans, La	Sept. 9, '98
Baptiste, George	Private July 1, '98	1, '98	New Orleans, La	July 30, '98
Baptiste, James	. Private July 1, '98	1, '98	New Orleans, La	July 13, '98
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Bernard, Murray	. Private June 29, '98	96, '6	New Orleans, La	. Aug. 31, '98
Blanchard, Louis P	. Private June 30, '98	96, '0	New Orleans, La	. July 30, '98
Breashear, Joseph	. Private June 29, '98	86, '6	. New Orleans, La.	. Sept. 8, '98
Breshear, Allen	. Private July $_{\text{I}}$ , '98	1, '98	. New Orleans, La.	. July 7, '98
Brent, Robert	. Private June 29, '98	9, '98	. New Orleans, La.	. July 20, '98
Briggs, Robert	. Private June 29, '98	86, '68	. New Orleans, La.	. July 28, '98
Brown, [ames H	. Private June 30, '88	88, '08	New Orleans, La Permission to enlist. Died Dec. 1, '98 .	. July 26, '98
Brown, Fletcher	. Private July $z$ , '98	2, '98	. New Orleans, La	. July 16, '98
Butcher, James	. Private July	July 1, '98	. New Orleans, La	. Aug. 4, '98
Carter, William	. Private July 3	July 30, '98	New Orleans, La	. July 8, '98
Chase, Frederick	PrivateJuly 2, '98	2, '98	New Orleans, La	. July 8, '98
Curry, Oscar	. Private June	June 28, '98	, New Orleans, La Permission to enlist	. July 26, '98
Curtis, John B.	, Private , , , , July 1, '98	1, '98	. New Orleans, La	. July 30, '98
Davis, Richard	. Private June	June 29, '98	. New Orleans, La	. July 14, '98
Douglass, John	. Private July 1, '98	1, '98	Baton Ronge, La	. July 2, '98
Dula, John S.	. Private June 29. '98	86, .63	New Orleans, La Discharged O. W. D	. July 30, '98
Foster, George	. Private June 30, '98	86, '08	New Orleans, La	. July 29, '98
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Arsenal where Lieutenant Hobson was first imprisoned. Later used as a General Hospital for American Soldiers.

## Third Battalion

MAJOR ARMAND G. ROMAIN COMMANDING.



## CLARON A. WINDUS.

CAPTAIN WINDUS was born January 10, 1850, at Janesville, Wisconsin, enlisted as drummer in the 5th Wisconsin Infantry in July, 1862, and was sent to the rear in August, 1862, because of being too small and young. He afterward served five years in the 6th U. S. Cavalry, and was honorably discharged October 12, 1871, with a medal of honor for meritorious conduct in fighting the Indians. He has lived in Texas since that time—twenty-five years at Fort Clark, and still resides there. He was assigned to command of the Ferguson Rifles, of Houston, Texas, on June 25, 1898, joined the 9th regiment at New Orleans, and was mustered into the U. S. volunteer service July 1, 1898. The regiment left New Orleans for Santiago de Cuba August 17, and landed on the 23d of August, 1898. Captain Windus was taken ill September 6 with yellow fever, and returned to duty September 20, 1898, having fully recovered from the fever, and has since been in the enjoyment of excellent health.



## ADOLPHE J. WAKEFIELD.

A DOLPHE J. WAKEFIELD was born in New Iberia, La., the son of Hon. Samuel Wakefield and Mrs. Amelia Wakefield. He was educated at Straight University, New Orleans, La. His father was one of the famous "Old Guard" 306, who went down at Chicago with ex-President Grant, in the Republican National Convention of 1880.

Lieutenant Wakefield was elected clerk of the District Court in and for the Twenty-first Judicial District of Louisiana, and held a number of positions in the New Orleans Custom House, and has been in business, off and on, the better part of his life. He was appointed second lieutenant by President McKinley, June 29, 1898, and joined the 9th United States Volunteer Infantry at New Orleans, July 3, 1898. His regiment was ordered to Santiago, Cuba, on the 17th of August, and arrived at that point on the 22d of that month.

In February, 1899, at Santiago, his company was mounted, and was ordered to suppress the bandits around San Ana and Mayari, Cuba. It was he who found



R. G. Woods, Second Lieutenant, Co. L.

Private Goodchaux two miles from San Ana, murdered by bandits, after which he had two or three sharp fights in the mountains of San Ana, the home of the bandits, in which he displayed a cool courage which won him the esteem of rank and file alike, and showed him to be of heroic mould.



## JACOB CLAY SMITH.

TACOB CLAY SMITH was born June 25, 1857, at Taylorsville, Kentucky. He enlisted January 20, 1880; assigned to and joined Co. "I," 24th U.S. Infantry, at Ringgold Barracks, March 16, same year; transferred to Co. "F," same regiment, March 31, 1881; appointed corporal August 4, 1882; pro-

moted sergeant February 23, 1883; served continuously in this grade until October, 1887, when he was transferred to the 10th U. S. Cavalry, serving in said regiment as private, sergeant and regimental saddler sergeant until commissioned a second lieutenant of the 9th United States Volunteer Infantry, October 27, 1898; joined the 9th United States Volunteer Infantry, and was assigned to Co. K January 1, 1898; reported for duty with said company at Cristo, Cuba, January 2, 1800: appointed quartermaster and commissary of post same day.



## PIERRE L. CARMOUCHE.

TIERRE L. CARMOUCHE was born in the town of Donaldsonville, La., parish of Ascension, on November 20, 1862. He obtained a common school education. At the age of 14 was a fine barber; later on he acquired much of the dental profession. Becoming dissatisfied with this profession, he learned the blacksmithing and farrier's trades. Young as he was, he became a skillful workman, and in course of time was the owner of the establishment where he learned his trade. He has been successful in his business. He is one of the most particular in matters pertaining to the race, is very patriotic, believes in perfection first, and elevation next.

His war or army record is quite limited, being simply that of the volunteer army. Cuba libra and the success of Maceo, in Cuba, was the height of his ambition. On February 25, 1898, he tendered to Secretary Alger his services and that of 250 colored Americans from his section of the country for the defence of his country at home or abroad. In the meantime, he neglected his business in order to enthuse his people and instruct them as to their duties as defenders of the country. In that he succeeded, for on July, 8, 1898, he furnished a company from his section. Ascension parish, for the 9th U. S. V. I. On the 13th of the same



ALEXANDER V. RICHARDSON, First Lieutenant, Co. M.

month his Company, L, was mustered into service. He was appointed one of the first lieutenants of the 9th, stood by the men on San Juan Hill all through the afflictions which befel them, an ordeal long to be remembered, and one which makes the 9th U. S. V. I. famous.

Lieutenant Carmouche is known in his regiment to be a strict disciplinarian, and much credit is due him for the condition and discipline in the 9th U. S. V. I. He is much liked by his regiment.

\* \* \* \* \* G. WOODS.

HE subject of this sketch was born in Starkville, Miss., March 31, 1870, and was educated at the University of Holly Springs, Miss. He enlisted at Memphis, Tenn., July 6, 1889, joined the 24th United States Infantry, and was assigned to Company G January 10, 1890, at San Carlos, A. T., or Indian Reservation. He was discharged at Fort Bayard, N. M., July 5, 1894, with character "excellent." He reënlisted Inly 23, 1894, at St. Louis, Missouri, rejoined his regiment September 17, 1894, was assigned to Company G, 24th Infantry, September 18, 1894, was appointed corporal September 26, 1894, and company clerk September 27, 1894. He was detailed as clerk in the Quartermaster's Department July 25, 1895. Relieved from this duty, he was detailed as company clerk March 1, 1896. Appointed sergeant and first sergeant August 27, 1896. The regiment moved to Salt Lake City, Utah, October 19, 1896; remained there until ordered to Chickamauga Park, Ga., April 20, 1898, where it remained from April 25 to 29, 1898, when ordered to Tampa, Fla, and later to Cuba. Arrived in front of Santiago June 20. Disembarked at Siboney, Cuba, June 25, remained in camp till June 27, when the regiment was ordered to Las Guasismas, to join the 3d Brigade, with the 9th, 13th, and 24th Regular Infantry,—the brigade that charged San Juan Hill, July 1, 1898. By virtue of rank, Lieutenant Woods' company was on the right of the regiment, and, as first sergeant thereof, he was the first man on the firing line. After crossing the point in the river where so many men of his brigade fell (now called Bloody Ford), he was ordered by his captain (Brereton) to establish the firing line, which was promptly done. The concensus of opinion is that the advanced position taken by his company caused the charge up San Juan Hill to be forced. Two men killed and twelve wounded, were the number lost in his company in this terrible combat. Lieutenant Woods, then first sergeant, was in the trenches in front of Santiago from July 1 to 15, inclusive, and in the fierce combats of July 1, 2, 3, 10, and 11, 1898. On July 15, 1898, his regiment volunteered to go to Siboney, Cuba, as attendants in the yellow fever hospital. At this place the whole company, with the exception of Sergeants J. T. Williams, W. H. Carroll, Private Samuel Bradshaw, and himself, were stricken down with this plague. At this place the regiment remained for forty days, laboring under adverse circumstances and seemingly forgotten, toiling with the sick and wounded, losing about one-fifth of the regiment. Finally relief came. The 3d Immunes and the 24th Infantry were ordered to proceed to Montauk Point, L. I., at which place they remained until September 23, 1898, when they were ordered back to their old station, Fort Douglas, Utah. During this campaign Lieutenant Woods, then first sergeant, conducted



W. A. PINCHBACK, Second Lieutenant, Co. M.



NOAH H. JOHNSON, First Sergeant, Co. M.

himself so as to win the respect of his superior officers, and in three weeks after arriving at Fort Douglas he was rewarded for his faithful services by an appointment as second lieutenant in the 9th United States Volunteer Infantry (Immunes). On November 5, 1898, he proceeded to Santiago to join his regiment, which was at San Luis, Cuba. On December 28 he was ordered to Songo, Cuba, at which place he was appointed adjutant of the 3d battalion, which position he held with satisfaction and credit.

Lieutenant Woods was the youngest first sergeant in the 24th Infantry. In his capacity as battalion adjutant, the office and its vexatious work were so well conducted that the commanding officer of his battalion, and other officers, complimented him for his thorough knowledge of the regulations and the forms governing army matters.

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## ALEXANDER VICTORIA RICHARDSON.

A LEXANDER VICTORIA RICHARDSON, First Lieutenant Co. M, 9th United States Volunteer Infantry, was born in or near Gallatin, Tenn., December 13, 1858, received in all about six months' schooling, left home at the age of 16 years, enlisted in the regular army March 10, 1876, was appointed corporal May 1, 1877, sergeant July 28, 1880, first sergeant May 31, 1889. This position he held until his appointment as first lieutenant 9th United States Volunteer Infantry, October 26, 1898. He was 21 years and 10 months a non-commissioned officer in Co. B, 24th U. S. Infantry.



## WALTER A. PINCHBACK.

WALTER A. PINCHBACK, the youngest son of ex-Gov. P. B. S. Pinchback, was born in New Orleans, La., October 21, 1871. He attended "Southern" and "Columbia" Universities, in New Orleans. In 1889 he went to Andover, Mass., where he finished his education in 1891, and went to Washington, D. C., where he was appointed to a clerkship in the Recorder's Office, which position he resigned in July, 1898, to accept an appointment as a lieutenant in the 9th United States Volunteer Infantry. In July, 1898, he joined his regiment at New Orleans, and was assigned to Co. "M." During his stay in Cuba he suffered much from illness, and after being confined in the general military hospital at Santiago, where he was placed in what was known as the "dangerous ward," obtained a sick leave and returned to the United States, where he remained two months. Upon the recovery of his health, he returned to Songo, Cuba, where upon arrival he was made post adjutant, and remained such until his regiment left for home. He was an honest and faithful officer.

## NOAH H. JOHNSON.

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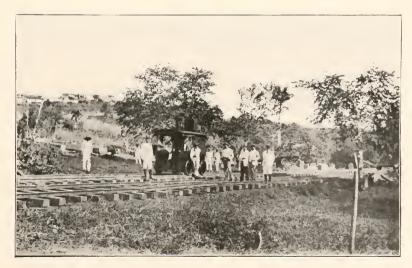
NOAH H. JOHNSON, First Sergeant of Co. M, is an efficient non-commissioned officer. He was most useful in recruiting the regiment, having recruited Co. M, and has been faithful in the discharge of the exacting duties of his important position. He apparently comes from a patriotic family, two of his brothers having served during the war of the rebellion.

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## ARTHUR V. HARANGUE.

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ARTHUR V. HARANGUE, First Lieutenant Co. K, was born at New Orleans, November 19, 1869. He attended Straight University, after which he entered the government employ, and later that of a prominent commercial house. He was assigned to Co. K, and has been faithful in the discharge of the duties of his office. He takes peculiar pleasure in the fact that he has been faithful to his government and yet has retained the confidence and love of the men of his company.



CITY OF SONGO-Garrisoned by Cos. H., L. and M., 9th U. S. V. I.

# Company I, 9th United States Volunteer Infantry.

3d BATTALION, MAJOR ARMAND G. ROMAIN COMMANDING.

## CLARON A. WINDUS, Captain.

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# Company K, 9th United States Volunteer Infantry.

## 3d BATTALION, MAJOR ARMAND G. ROMAIN COMMANDING.

## WILLIAM LOWERY, Captain.

# ARTHUR HARANG, First Lieutenant. JACOB C. SMITH, Second Lieutenant.\*

	Name	Rank	Date of Enrollment	Place of Enrollment Remarks	Date of first Illness
	Ross, James	First Sergeant.	. July 8, '98	New Orleans, La.	
	Johnson, Spencer	$Q_{\rm s}$ M. Sergeant July 2, '98 .		. New Orleans, La.	
	NEWMAN, ALBERT	Sergeant	. July 4, '98	New Orleans, La.	
	Woodson, Joshua	Sergeant	July 4, '98	New Orleans, La Vice Lemuel Jones	. Mar. 28,'99
	Burton, John	Sergeant	. July 8, '98	New Orleans, La.	
1001		. Corporal	July 6, '98 .	New Orleans, La Vice George Smith	
	COTTON, HENRY	. Corporal	. July 4, '98	New Orleans, La Vice William T. Tate	
	Blackburn, Horace	Corporal	. July 8, '98	. New Orleans, La.	. Oct. 18, '98
	BROWN, JOHN	Corporal	. July 8, '98	New Orleans, La Vice Leonard Rainey	. Sept. 10,'98
		. Corporal	July 6, '98	New Orleans, La.	
	BANKS, JOHN	. Corporal	July 6, '98	New Orleans, La Vice Jonas Wiggins	
	Mayse, Richard	. Corporal	July 4, '98	New Orleans, La Vice Jefferson Green	
		. Corporal	. July 8, '98	New Orleans, La Vice John Smith	
	Jackson, James	Musician	July 6, '98	. New Orleans, La.	Sept. 19,'98
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# Company L, 9th United States Volunteer Infantry.

3rd BATTALION, MAJOR ARMAND G. ROMAIN COMMANDING.

## W. PRAGUE COLEMAN, Captain.

ROBERT G. WOODS, Second Lieutenant.†	Remarks Date of first Illin	July 20,'9			Vice Joseph Ayo, died at San Luis, Cuba . Sept. 6, 'e	a Vice Phillip J. Brown Aug. 12, '9	Appointed Corporal Oct. 3, '98; appointed July 13, '98.	July 24, '9	a July 25, '9		Reduced from Sergeaut to ranks Sept. 6, 98; July 20, 'e subsequently appointed Corporal	, to s tlul	Appointed Corporal Feb. 23, '99, vice Scott . July 29, '95 July 29, '95	Appointed Corporal Feb. 23, '99, vice Sonny Aug. 13, '9, '15	Died Jan. 17, '99, at San Luis, Cuba Sept. 8, 'ç		Transferred to Band July 31, 98
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P. L. CARMOUCH	Rank	S. R First Sergeant	UGENE C Q. M. Sergeant	JE A Sergeant	C. Lewis Sergeant	Walter Sergeant	IN W Sergeant	CHARLES Corporal	ANK C Corporal	CID Corporal	LLIP J Corporal	E Corporal	S Corporal	HEL Corporal	ILLIAM Corporal	RLES G Musician	J Musician
	Name	Longs, James R.	Walkins, Eugene	GRIGSBY, ELIE A.	RANDOLPH, C. LEWIS	CLANTON, T. WALTER	BROMAN, JOHN W.	Roberson, Charles	CAMILLE, FRANK C	PERRIN, PLACID	BROWN, PHILLIP J.	GRADY, NACE.	ISHMAN, AMOS.	WHITE, DANIEL	LAWSON, WILLIAM	PERRY. CHARLES G.	Senegal, A. J.

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Date of first Illness	July 19, '98	July 28, '98	Sept. 4, '98	Aug. 13, '98	July 19, '98	July 23, '98	Aug. 14,'98		Sept. 14,'98	Sept. 10, '98	Aug. 12, '98	Aug. 26, '98	Aug		Aug. '98	July 28, '98	Aug. 4, '98	July 29, '98	Aug. 8, '98	Aug. 12, '98	July 11, '98	
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GROUP OF SPANISH ARMY OFFICERS, SANTIAGO.



SPANISH BULL FIGHT, SANTIAGO.



GENERAL MACEO, THE CUBAN LEADER, Surprised and treacherously killed by Spaniards in 1898.

# The People of Cuba.

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HE CUBAN PEOPLE have been variously described by different writers, each of whom, it is to be presumed, has written of them as observed and met. They have, with hardly an exception, described them as ingrates, dishonest, dissolute of character, and altogether a reprobate and degenerate people. After months of familiar, if not intimate, association with the people of Cuba, I cannot subscribe to the

above, to me, wanton and groundless sentiment. I have found them, fortunately with hardly an exception, honorable, grateful, though in the most abjectly impoverished condition. True, I have found no one who has intimated a desire to prostrate himself before an American, nor any who has offered to kiss his hand. They recognize their poverty, and when this condition is referred to, simply say it is not a dishonor. Their schacks, or houses, a picture of which is given, will

illustrate their deplorable condition. No monument of stone or of gold can display the quality of their courage or the virtue of their females. These may be robbed of their chastity, but the pain of hunger, the shame of nudity, and the want of shelter, have failed to cause them to prostitute themselves, as has the seductive present-



A Typical Cuban Dwelling.

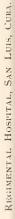
ments of the hitherto all-purchasing American gold. To rob these virgin sisters of Eve, there must be brought into action the most beastial power of the profligate. There are no "tenderloin" districts in San Juan, Ponce, Porto Rico, San Luis, Havana, Santiago, or



TYPICAL CUBAN SOLDIER.



MARKET-PLACE, SAN LUIS, CUBA.



the other cities of Cuba, where will be found the daughters of Cuba. To what is this most remarkable distinguishing feature to be traced?

Surely not to the civil policy of Spain, in its wanton treatment of its colonies. Is it due to the polity of the Roman Church? If so, it is an honor which must secure to it the lasting admiration of the moral and religious world.

In large, if not predominating numbers, the Cubans are African-Spanish. They differ from the African-American only in the quality of their courage. They would never submit to the abuses with which the African-American is so familiar. Recognizing their common mongrel origin and their common destiny, they neither encourage nor will they tolerate invidious distinctions among themselves, as we have them in our country. They are being transplanted, and, as a seed, they are seeking a place of growth. But the soil is American, and the new growth is repugnant to the rich and poor, and is being choked out by the wholesome and just sentiment of this people, who have lived centuries together, have enjoyed all civil privileges in common. have suffered together the onerous exactions of their parent country, and have alike



EFFECT OF BULLETS ON PALM TREE NEAR SAN JUAN.

fought for Cuba libre. It remains to simply express the wish that they may find peace, security and helpful consideration in and by

our government, which has come to them as the highest and best expression of the love of Him who shapes the destiny of a nation not less than He does that of an individual.

The Cuban climate is not malignant. Nor is it unhealthy to those who have studied and adapted themselves to it. I remember of having read somewhere of the malignity of the climatic conditions which existed in this country, where now the most healthy people dwell. They have studied the climate, and instituted such sanitary improve-



A CUBAN FAMILY.

ments as to secure life in the enjoyment of the most complete health and longevity.

The soil of Cuba is rich, and produces fruits of various kinds. The rivers are numerous, and the water clear as crystal. Indeed, the country has such a wealth of natural resources as require only the touch of modern life, energy, genius and methods to have it to assume at once an increasingly growing prominence among the nations, and prove to the world the wonderful riches which an All-provident Father has reserved for His children of all races in the clime where, in His providence, He has permitted them to settle.

The relatively small population of Cuba affords an opportunity to Afro-Americans for emigration which will assist materially in solving the American race question. The island's vast uncultivated fields; its unimproved waterways: its unbuilt railroads: indeed, its needs of labor of all kinds, skilled and unskilled, which are almost incalculable, atford an opportunity for service that will not again present itself to the same generation. It needs all of our institutions for the making of a higher civilization—churches, schools, asylums, and penal institutions. It needs, therefore, persons of all professions and trades. It is



STREET VIEW IN PALMA.

thought that the Afro-American can in large degree supply these demands—supply them by honest labor upon the farm and in the mine: in the church and in the school: in the construction of



CUBAN SCHACK AND COCOANUT TREES.

water-ways, and the building of railroads. He would find happiness in his labor, and protection in an ever-increasing demand assured by the never-ceasing progression of advancing civilization.

It is not an easy duty that devolves upon our civilization. It will measure its asserted capacity: but the Father of nations, the portrait of whose son is photographed on our national purpose, will not withhold from it the required strength.



MORRO CASTLE, FROM THE OCEAN.

The picture shows the effects of bombardment by Schley.



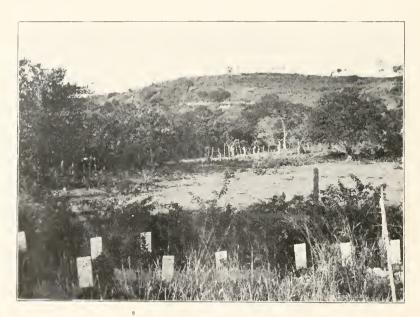
Morro Castle-Entrance to Bay of Santiago.



INTERIOR OF MORRO CASTLE.



SAN JUAN HILL—Santiago in distance.



SAN JUAN HILL,

Spanish trenches, and graves of American soldiers: 9th and 10th Cavalry, 24th and 25th Infantry (the latter colored), 2d Mass., Rough Riders, and 71st N. V.



## The Nation's Tribute

TO ITS VALOROUS DEAD WHO DIED UPON SPANISH TERRITORY DEFENDING ITS FLAG.

General Orders No. 60. HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY,
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Washington, April 3, 1899.

I. The following order of the President is published for the information of all concerned:

EXECUTIVE MANSION, April 3, 1899.

It is fitting that, in behalf of the Nation, tributes of honor be paid to the memories of the noble men who lost their lives in their country's service during the late war with Spain. It is the more fitting inasmuch as, in consonance with the spirit of our free institutions and in obedience to the most exalted promptings of patriotism, those who were sent to other shores to do battle for their country's honor, under their country's flag, went freely from every quarter of our beloved land. Each soldier, each sailor, parting from home ties and putting behind him private interests in the presence of the stern emergency of unsought war with an alien foe, was an individual type of that devotion of the citizen to the State which makes our Nation strong in unity and in action.

Those who died in another land left in many homes the undying memories that attend the heroic dead of all ages. It was fitting that with the advent of peace, won by their sacrifice, their bodies should be gathered with tender care and restored to home and kindred. This has been done with the dead of Cuba and Porto Rico. Those of the Philippines still rest where they fell, watched over by their surviving comrades, and crowned with the love of a grateful Nation.

The remains of many brought to our shores have been delivered to their families for private burial. But for others of the brave officers and men who perished there has been reserved interment in ground sacred to the soldiers and sailors, amid the tributes of military honor and national mourning they have so well deserved.

I therefore order that, upon the arrival of the cortege at the National Cemetery at Arlington, all proper military and naval honors be paid to the dead

heroes; that suitable ceremonies shall attend their interment; that the customary salute of mourning be fired at the cemetery; and that on the same day at 2 o'clock P. M., Thursday, the 6th day of April, the National Ensign be displayed at half staff on all public buildings, forts, camps, and public vessels of the United States; and that at 2 o'clock noon of said day all the departments of the Government at Washington shall be closed.

II. The following order from the War Department is published for the information and guidance of all concerned:

WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, April 3, 1899.

The remains of officers and soldiers who lost their lives in the war with Spain during the operations in Cuba and Porto Rico will be interred, with due and fitting ceremonies, in the National Cemetery at Arlington, Va., on Thursday, April 6, at 2 P. M. By direction of the President, all of the United States troops serving in the vicinity of Washington, together with the National Guard of the District of Columbia, will be assembled at Arlington on the date in question, to participate in the funeral ceremonies.

G. D. Meiklejohn,
Acting Secretary of War.

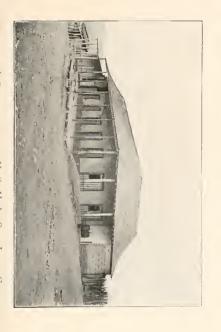
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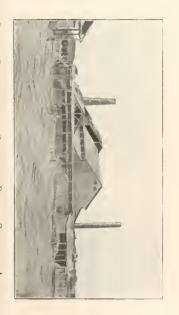
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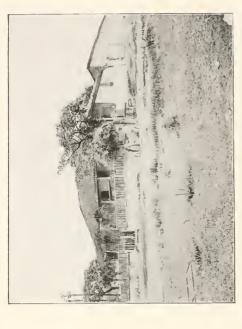
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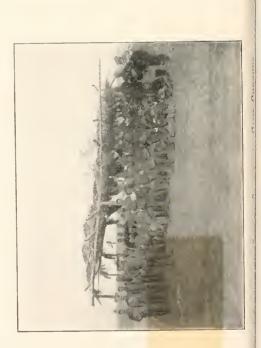








Scene of Fatal Encounter between Unknown Persons and Cuban Rural Police—Casualties, six.





# Chronological History.

### HAPPENINGS OF IMPORTANCE IN THE WAR RETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND SPAIN.

February 15—Battleship Maine, U. S. Navy, destroyed in the harbor of Havana, with 248 of her officers and crew.

FEBRUARY 21 - Naval Court of Inquiry opened in harbor of Havana.

MARCH 5-Both branches of the military being prepared for service.

MARCH 7—The Montgomery ordered to Havana.

MARCH 27—Board of Inquiry declares that the Maine was destroyed by external agencies.

April 11—President McKinley sends his message to Congress, advising armed intervention in Cuba.

APRIL 13—House adopts Cuban resolution, directing the President to intervene.

APRIL 14 - Troops ordered to southern ports.

April 20—President's ultimatum sent to Spain. Spain expected to refuse. Spanish minister given his passports.

APRIL 21 — Minister Woodford given his passports by Spain.

April 22—North American squadron begins blockade of Cuba. United States gunboat Nashville captures freighter Buena Ventura, the first prize of the war.

April 23—Blockade of Havana begun, President makes first call for 125,000 troops.

 $A_{PRIL}$  25 — War formally declared by Congress. Asiatic squadron leaves Hong Kong to attack Manila.

April 27 — First fight of the war. Bombardment of the Matanzas forts.

May I—Dewey's victory. Destroys Admiral Montijo's fleet at Manila. Sinks II Spanish ships.

May 5 - Sampson leaves for Porto Rico.

MAY 11—Cruiser Wilmington and torpedo-boat Winslow, in an attempt to silence the batteries at Cardenas, are repulsed. Ensign Worth Bagley, of North Carolina, and four seamen, attached to the Winslow, were killed by the bursting of a shell. Senate confirms nomination of Dewey to be a rear-admiral.

May 12—Americans fail to land troops at Cienfuegos.

May 13—North Atlantic squadron bombards San Juan. American troops land near Cabanas, Cuba. Commodore Schley, with flying squadron, sails from Old Point.

May 14—Steamer Gussie fails in an attempt to laud troops and supplies in Cuba. First land fight.

May 17—Cervera's fleet reported off Venezuela.

MAY 19—Cervera's fleet enters harbor of Santiago.



TOWN OF EL CANEY.



CHURCH AT EL CANEY.



BLOCKHOUSE AT EL CANEY.



INSIDE BLOCKHOUSE AT EL CANEY.

May 25 — The President calls for 75,000 additional volunteers.

MAY 31 — Commodore Schley bombards the forts at the entrance of Santiago harbor.

IUNE 3—Lieutenant Hobson and crew of seven heroes sink collier Merrimac in channel of Santiago harbor to prevent possible escape of Cervera's fleet.

June 4—Cervera sends flag of truce to Admiral Sampson, announcing the safety of Lieutenant Hobson and crew, and complimenting them on their heroism.

June 5-Americans land near Santiago.

JUNE 6 - Santiago forts bombarded and Reina Mercedes sunk.



17TH AND 25TH INFANTRY (COLORED) STORMING BLOCKHOUSE AT EL CANEY, JULY 1, 1898.

June 7 — Haitian cable cut by expedition from Marblehead, Yankee and St. Louis. Cuba now completely isolated.

JUNE 10 — Sampson's squadron bombards Baiquiri, near Santiago.

June 12—Spanish assault American marines encamped at Guantanamo, but are repulsed. Four men killed. General Shafter's expedition leaves Key West for Santiago.

June 15—Fight at Guantanamo Bay. 100 Spaniards killed.

June 16—Santiago bombarded.

June 17—Second Spanish squadron sails from Cadiz. Supposed destination, the Philippines.

June 20—Shafter's army appears before Santiago. Spanish troops forced to retire into fortified part of Manila.

June 22—Shafter's army lands at Baiquiri.

June 24—Roosevelt's Rough Riders and First and Tenth United States Cavalry (less than 1,000 all told), after desperate battle with 2,000 Spanish troops, gained position within five miles of Santiago. "La Guasismas."



SPANISH TRENCH IN FRONT OF BLOCKHOUSE, EL CANEY.

June 27 — Orders issued for formation of eastern squadron, under command of Commodore Watson, to operate against Spanish coast. Admiral Camara's fleet in Suez Canal.

July I—United States troops, after an all-day engagement, occupy the outer works at Santiago.

July 2 - El Caney and San Juan captured, and 2,000 Spanish prisoners taken.

July 3—Admiral Cervera's fleet destroyed by Schley. Spanish loss, about 300 killed, 1,300 prisoners.

July 4—The Ladrone Islands taken. First relief expedition reaches Manila.

July 6—Hobson and crew exchanged. German interference in the Philippines prevented by Admiral Dewey. Resolutions annexing Hawaii pass the Senate.

July 9-Major-General Miles leaves with reinforcements for Santiago.



BLOODY BEND, NEAR EL CANEY.



VIEW AT REAR OF EL CANEY,

Showing stream forded, with barbed wire fence, cut by Rough Riders and Tenth Cavalry (colored), under fire, while singing "There'll be a hot time in the old town (Santiago) to-night."

July 10—Warships begin the bombardment of Santiago.

July 11 — Armistice agreed for twenty-four hours at Santiago.

July 14—General Toral formally surrenders Santiago.

July 17 - Santiago occupied by Americans.

July 21 - Miles sails for Porto Rico.

July 23 — Porto Rican expedition to reinforce General Miles leaves Tampa, Florida.

July 25—General Merritt arrives at Manila. General Miles' expedition lands on the southern coast of Porto Rico. Guantanamo surrenders to Shafter.



GARCIA'S MEN ESCORTING AMERICAN OFFICERS, NEAR EL COBRE, CUBA.

July 26—French Ambassador, on behalf of Spain, asks the United States to name terms of peace.

July 30—United States Government's reply to Spanish peace proposals handed to French Ambassador.

August 3—Spanish troops in Manila attempt a sortie, but are driven back with heavy loss.

August 5—Secretary Alger orders the immediate return of General Shafter's army to the United States. Troops under General Brooke enter Guayamo. General Miles meets with little or no resistance in Porto Rico.

August 7—Spanish Cabinet accepts American peace proposals.

August 8 - Spanish prisoners leave Santiago for Spain.

August 10—President submits a protocol to Spain on which peace can be arranged.

August 11 — Spanish Cabinet accepts the peace protocol, practically ending the

August 12—The peace protocol signed, and President orders a cessation of hostilities, which had then lasted 110 days.

August 15 — Manila surrenders unconditionally to Admiral Dewey, after a bombardment of two hours and a gallant assault by the American troops. News of the peace protocol had not reached Dewey.



DISEMBARKING AT JERSEY CITY.

August 17—The President appoints the Military Commissioners for Cuba and Porto Rico, as follows: For Cuba—Maj-Gen. James F. Wade, Rear-Admiral William T. Sampson, and Maj.-Gen. Matthew C. Butler, U. S. Vols. For Porto Rico—Maj.-Gen. John R. Brooke, Rear-Admiral Winfield S. Schley, and Brig.-Gen. William W. Gordon, U. S. Vols.

August 30 -- United States representatives on Peace Commission appointed by the President, as follows: Wm. R. Day, of Ohio, late Secretary of State; Senator C. K. Davis (Rep.), of Minn.; Senator Wm. P. Frye (Rep.), of Maine; Senator George Gray (Dem.), of Delaware; Hon. Whitelaw Reid, of New York.

OCTOBER I — Peace Commissioners meet with five commissioners on behalf of Spain, in Paris.

OCTOBER 18 - American flag raised permanently over Porto Rico.

DECEMBER 10—Treaty of peace signed by Peace Commissioners of United States and Spain, at Paris.

The cost of the war to the United States up to the signing of the peace proctocol was \$150,000,000.



CO. C ON THE ROAD TO CAMP SAN LUIS.

Casualities in killed and wounded during the war: Army—officers killed, 23; enlisted men killed, 257; total, 280; officers wounded, 113; enlisted men wounded, 1,464; total, 1,577. Navy—1 officer and 18 enlisted men killed; 67 enlisted men wounded.

No officers or men of the army or navy captured, except crew of the Merrimac,—I officer and 7 enlisted men.



MONUMENT TO JOHN FREDERIC HARTRANFT, Brevet Major General, Commander 3rd Division 9th Corps, Army of Potomac, at the ceremony of the unveiling of which, May 12, 1899, the 9th Regt, U. S. V. I. was accorded the position of honor.

[Erected in Capitol Park, Harrisburg, Pa.]



HARBOR OF SANTIAGO.



NAUTICAL CLUB HOUSE, SANTIAGO—Used as an Emergency Hospital.



BIRDS-EVE VIEW OF SANTIAGO DE CUBA.

# Points of Information.

HOW A VOLUNTEER CAN SECURE A PENSION. ILLUSTRATIONS OF SANTIAGO, CUBA.



#### OUR PENSION SYSTEM.



HE pension system of the United States dates from August 26, 1776, when the Continental Congress, by resolution, "recommended to the several assemblies or legislative bodies" of the states that provision be made for putting on "half pay," or less, those persons of the military or naval forces who lost limbs or became otherwise disabled in service; the amounts so paid to be charged to the

United States. We hear nothing now-a-days of pensions in connection with the Revolutionary war, and many have gained the impression that the patriots of those days were a supernatural order of men, having no thought or care for pensions. But, as shown above, in less than two months after the Declaration of Independence, the first pension provision was enacted, followed by a long series of subsequent laws relative to the soldiers and sailors not only of the Revolution, but of the 1812 war, the various Indian wars, the Mexican war, the war of the rebellion, the Spanish war, and of the Regular Army and Navy in time of peace.

Many of our most prominent citizens, as well as many of our bravest leaders of the wars, such as Generals Scott, Grant, Sherman, Sheridan, Admirals Farragut and Porter, etc., are or have been the recipients of pensions, either in the form of pay on the retired list or in the ordinary form. So it is no detraction from one's patriotism to claim and receive what is provided by a grateful country for its defenders. The pension roll is indeed truly termed a roll of honor.

Pension is not a matter of favor or charity; it is a question of *title under the law*, and when title is shown, the pension is due as a matter of law. Congress, acting for the whole people, has made the laws, and the essentials of pension title therein defined are all that need be considered in seeking the benefits of the laws.

War of the Rebellion.—Union soldiers and sailors of the war of the rebellion, and their heirs, come under the general law, as hereinafter shown, and also under the *Act of June 27*, 1890, which does not apply to any Spanish war soldier or sailor, his widow or children.

**Regular Army and Navy.**—Officers and men of the Regular Army and Navy in time of peace, and in the various Indian wars and disturbances, etc., and the heirs of such, come under the general pension law, as hereinafter shown.

Spanish War.—The Act of April 22, 1898, provides: "Section 12. That all officers and enlisted men of the Volunteer Army, and of the Militia of the states when in the service of the United States, shall be in all respects on the same footing as to pay, allowances and *pensions* as that of officers and enlisted men of corresponding grades in the Regular Army." But wholly irrespective of the above provision, the soldiers and sailors of the Spanish war and their heirs come under the general law, which covers all claims arising from disability or death due to service since March 4, 1861.

#### WHO IS ENTITLED TO INVALID PENSION.

Invalid pension, under the general law, is by Section 4692, Revised Statutes, conferred on the following classes: "Section 4693. The persons entitled as beneficiaries under the preceding section are as follows: First. Any officer of the army, including regulars, volunteers, and militia, or any officer in the navy or marine corps, or any enlisted man, however employed, in the military or naval service of the United States, or in its marine corps, whether regularly mustered or not, disabled by reason of any wound or injury received, or disease contracted, while in the service of the United States and in the line of duty.



MARKET SCENE, SANTIAGO, CUBA.

"Second. Any master serving on a gunboat, or any pilot, engineer, sailor, or other person not regularly mustered, serving upon any gunboat or war vessel of the United States, disabled by any wound or injury received, or otherwise incapacitated, while in the line of duty, for procuring his subsistence by manual labor.

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"Fourth. Any acting assistant or contract surgeon disabled by any wound or injury received or disease contracted in the line of duty while actually performing the duties of assistant surgeon or acting assistant surgeon with any military force in the field, or in transitu, or in hospital."

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That a man has property, affording him a sufficient maintenance, or is able to follow successfully some profession, or to support himself and family at some light

employment, does not debar him from the pension to which he is justly entitled under the law. It matters not what his business is, whether it be that of a farmer or physician, a day laborer, mechanic or lawyer; invalid pensions are granted, nevertheless, having regard only to the person's incapacity for the performance of ordinary manual labor as compared with a sound, able-bodied man.

#### WHAT IS PENSIONABLE.

There is no particular class of wounds, injuries, or diseases, for which pensions are granted. It depends not so much upon the wound, injury, or disease itself as upon the disabled condition arising therefrom. It may be said that anything in the nature of a wound, injury, or disease which materially incapacitates him for the



SAN PEDRO STREET, SANTIAGO, CUBA.

performance of manual labor entitles him to a pension under the law. The disability arising therefrom may be slight, and yet a rating of not less than \$6 per month can be had.

The results of typhoid fever, malarial fever, and the like are often serious and permanent in character, and many diseases grow out of other diseases or injuries; and whenever in any case the primary disease or injury was incurred in service and in line of duty, the recognized results are pensionable.

#### DISABILITY AT DISCHARGE.

It is not absolutely necessary to the securing of pension that a man be discharged with or on account of disability, nor that a hospital record of the disability exist. Such records are evidence, but not the only evidence. Consequently soldiers or sailors in the war with Spain, who, from carelessness or any other reason, made

no claim of disability at discharge, or were not reported by the examining surgeons at discharge as disabled in any way, or whose discharges show there existed no objection to their reënlistment, are not thereby debarred from applying for and obtaining pension, if they are, in fact, affected by any wound, injury, or disease, or their results, incurred in the service and line of duty. The report of the surgeons at muster-out is not necessarily conclusive as to lack of title to pension.

#### RATES OF INVALID PENSION

The rates of invalid pension under the general law are from \$6 to \$100 per month, according to the degree and character of the disability and the rank of the soldier or sailor at the time of the origin or incurrence of the same. For the ordinary disease, wound or injury there is no particular rating, because the disability may exist in a greater or less degree, and be different in degree in different men, some of whom would consequently be entitled to a higher rate than others. For certain disabilities, which cause substantially the same degree of disability in all men, rates are fixed, and are given in the following tables:

#### RATES FIXED BY LAW.

Loss of both hands	00 001	Any disability equivalent to loss of hand	
Loss of both feet	72 00	or foot	24 00
Total disability in both hands			36 oo
Total disability in both feet			45 00
Loss of sight of both eyes	72 00	Amputation at or near the shoulder joint .	45 00
Loss of the sight of an eye, the other lost		Inability to perform any manual labor	30 00
before enlistment	72 00	Disability requiring regular and constant	
Loss of one hand and one foot, or total dis-	,	aid and attendance of another person	72 00
ability of the same	36 <b>o</b> o	Disability requiring frequent and periodi-	
Loss of a hand or a foot, or total disability		*	50 00
of the same'	30 00	Total deafness	30 00

## RATES FIXED BY THE COMMISSIONER FOR CERTAIN DISABILITIES NOT SPECIFIED BY LAW.



RAILROAD STATION, SANTIAGO, CUBA.



DEPARTURE OF SPANISH TROOPS FROM SANTIAGO.

#### WIDOWS AND MINOR CHILDREN.

The general pension law as to widows and children is embodied in Section 4702, Revised Statutes, which, as amended by the Act of August 7, 1882, provides: "Section 4702. If any person embraced within the provisions of Sections 4692 and 4693 has died since the 4th day of March, 1861, or hereafter dies, by reason of any wound, injury, or disease which, under the conditions and limitations of such sections, would have entitled him to an invalid pension had he been disabled, his widow, or if there be no widow, or in case of her death without payment to her of any part of the pension hereinafter mentioned, his child, or children, under 16 years of age, shall be entitled to receive the same pension as the husband or father would have been entitled to had he been totally disabled, to commence from the death of the husband or father, to continue to the widow during her widowhood, and to his child or children until they severally attain the age of 16 years. and no longer; and if the widow remarry, the child or children shall be entitled from the date of remarriage, except when such widow has continued to draw the pension money after her remarriage, in contravention of law, and such child or children have resided with and been supported by her, their pension will commence at the date to which the widow was last paid."

The rate of pension of widows and other heirs under the general law is determined by the rank of the soldier or sailor at the time of incurrence of disability resulting in his death. If below the grade of commissioned officer, the rate is \$12 if the parties were married before March 19, 1886, or before or during the service; 2d lieutenant, \$15; 1st lieutenant, \$17; captain, \$20; major, \$25; lieutenant-colonel and officers of higher rank, \$30. Heirs of officers and men in the naval service of corresponding rank have similar ratings.

Section 4703, Revised Statutes, provides for the increase of widows' pension at the rate of \$2 additional per month for each child of the soldier under 16. Children's pension has the benefit of the same additional rate in all cases.

#### DEPENDENT PARENTS, BROTHERS AND SISTERS.

The general pension law as to heirs other than widows and children is embodied in Section 4707, Revised Statutes, which provides: "Section 4707. If any person embraced within the provisions of Sections 4692 and 4693 has died since the 4th day of March, 1861, or shall hereafter die, by reason of any wound, injury, casualty or disease, which, under the conditions and limitations of such sections, would have entitled him to an invalid pension, and has not left or shall not leave a widow or legitimate child, but has left or shall leave other relative or relatives who were dependent upon him for support in whole or in part at the date of his death, such relative or relatives shall be entitled, in the following order of precedence, to receive the same pension as such person would have been entitled to had he been totally disabled, to commence from the death of such person, namely: First, the mother; secondly, the father; thirdly, orphan brothers and sisters under 16 years of age, who shall be pensioned jointly; Provided, That where orphan children of the same parent have different guardians, or a portion of them only are under guardianship, the share of the joint pension to which each ward shall be entitled shall be paid to the guardian of such ward; Provided, That if in any case said person shall have left father and mother who are dependent upon him, then, on the death of the mother, the father shall

become entitled to the pension, commencing from and after the death of the mother; and upon the death of the mother and father, or upon the death of the father and the remarriage of the mother, the dependent brothers and sisters under 16 years of age shall jointly become entitled to such pension until they attain the age of 16 years, respectively, commencing from the death or remarriage of the party who had the prior right to the pension; *Provided*, That a mother shall be assumed to have been dependent upon her son within the meaning of this section if, at the date of his death, she had no other adequate means of support than the ordinary proceeds of her own manual labor and the contributions of said son or of any other person not legally bound to aid her in support; and if, by actual contributions, or in any other way, the son had recognized his obligations to aid in support of his mother, or was by law bound to such support, and that a father



ENTRANCE TO CEMETERY, SANTIAGO, Where many American Soldiers were buried.

or a minor brother or sister shall, in like manner and under like conditions, be assumed to have been dependent, except that the income which was derived or derivable from his actual or possible manual labor shall be taken into account in estimating a father's means of independent support; *Provided*, further, That the pension allowed to any person on account of his or her dependence, as hereinbefore provided, shall not be paid for any period during which it shall not be necessary as a means of adequate subsistence."

The act of June 27, 1890, Section 1, amends the law as to dependent parents, making it necessary to show only present dependence. The act provides: "Section 1. That in considering the pension claims of dependent parents, the fact of the soldier's death by reason of any wound, injury, casualty, or disease which, under the conditions and limitations of existing laws, would have entitled him to an invalid pension, and the fact that the soldier left no widow or minor children having been shown as required by law, it shall be necessary only to show by competent and sufficient evidence that such parent or parents are without other present means of support than their own manual labor or the contributions of others not legally bound for their support; Provided, That all pensions allowed to dependent parents under



PALACE AND CENTRAL PARK, SANTIAGO, CUBA.



STREET SCENE IN SANTIAGO, CUBA.

this act shall commence from the date of the filing of the application hereunder and shall continue no longer than the existence of the dependence."

The rate of pension of dependent parents, brothers and sisters, under the general law, is the same as that of widows and children, without the \$2 additional rate. If parents' claims be made under the act of June 27, 1890, Section 1, the rate is uniformly \$12 per month, irrespective of the rank of the soldier or sailor.

Date of marriage is of no consideration in this class of cases.

#### COMMENCEMENT OF PENSION.

Invalid pension and dependent parents', brothers' and sisters' pension commence from the date of filing of formal application therefor in the Pension Bureau at Washington.

Widows' and Minor Children's pension, under the general law, commences from the date of the soldier's or sailor's death, or, in case of children, if the widow was pensioned, from the date of her death or remarriage; children's pension terminates when they become 16. A widow may, after remarriage, claim pension, under the general law, for the period of her widowhood, and children may claim pension, under the general law, for the period of pensionable minority after they become 16.

#### PROCEDURE TO SECURE PENSION.

An application in proper legal form must be made in every instance. After the filing of an application for Invalid Pension, the claimant is ordered for examination before a Board of U. S. Pension Examining Surgeons, composed of civilian physicians, and which determines the existence of and recommends the rate for the alleged disabilities. Evidence submitted by the claimant is also admissible to show the character and degree of disability. Widows and other heirs are required to prove themselves the legal heirs of the soldier or sailor, in addition to showing his death to be due to the service and line of duty; and in cases of fathers, mothers, brothers and sisters, the financial circumstances of the claimants must be shown.

#### EARLY SETTLEMENT.

A special division has been formed in the Pension Bureau for the consideration and adjudication of Spanish war pension claims. It is generally believed that the delay so often encountered in claims arising from the war of the rebellion, largely due to difficulties in the securing and verifying of the mass of evidence usually required in such cases because of the lapse of time since the war, will not generally arise in the settlement of Spanish war cases.

### DELAY IN CLAIMING.

Persons who are entitled to pension should, out of regard for their own interests and the interests of their families, present and prospective, promptly file their claims. Many survivors of the war of the rebellion, and their heirs, who delayed their applications for pension, have had cause to regret that they slept upon their rights. Delay begets difficulty and sometimes impossibility of securing the necessary proofs, and creates the doubt attaching to all claims long resting unas-

serted on an existing right. Especially is this true where the soldier or sailor was entitled but neglected to apply in his lifetime, and his heirs, being entitled, seek to obtain the pension due them on account of his death.

#### WHAT IS A PENSION WORTH?

Failure to apply for pension may arise from inattention to what a pension is worth. Its value may be learned by comparison with the cost of an annuity from a life insurance company. Pensions begin at date of application therefor, and ordinarily continue during life. The average value of each pension now being paid under the general law—which is the law applying to Spanish war soldiers—is nearly \$14 per month; or, exactly, \$163.21 per year (report of the Commissioner of Pensions, for fiscal year ending June 30, 1898). Taking twenty-one years as an average age of Spanish war soldiers, a man of that age, to buy a pension (annuity) of that amount per year for the rest of his life, would have to pay, according to the standard rates of life insurance companies, the sum of \$3,270,73. Therefore, the average pension of an ex-soldier of twenty-one years of age, is worth in cash \$3,270.73. That is what it would cost him if he should buy it. On the same basis. a pension of \$8 per month is worth \$1,823.84; \$12 per month, \$2,884,76, and other rates in proportion. Of course, the above figures are based on insurable persons. but they give an idea to even those whose lives may be shortened through the hardships of service. Soldiers who are entitled to pension but neglect to claim it do not, perhaps, realize what they are losing.

#### ATTORNEYS.

The need for persons who make a specialty of securing to claimants their just dues under the pension laws is as great as is the necessity for persons who make a specialty of securing justice in the courts. Some claimants succeed as their own attorneys; many more believe that they can, but it is believed that all will find it to their advantage to secure the services of a competent attorney when entering into the perplexities which are often attendant upon the prosecution of a claim against the Government, and which require experience to overcome.

There are competent attorneys and incompetent attorneys. The law governing attorneys' fee in pension cases makes no distinction between the two classes; so that the services of the one cost no more than the services of the other.

#### FEES IN PENSION CASES.

The fee generally in claims for invalid, widows', children's, parents', brothers' and sisters' pension, under the general law, is \$25, the maximum limit prescribed by the fee law, act of July 4, 1884. In parents' and other pension claims under the act of June 27, 1890, the fee is \$10, the maximum amount allowed in such cases.

As these fees are by law made wholly dependent on success, no matter how long delayed a favorable settlement may be, and as no fee may be lawfully claimed or accepted in unsuccessful claims, and in especially difficult claims no extra fee may be lawfully claimed or accepted, no attorney adhering to the fee law can afford to accept claims at less than the maximum fees.

Under an order of the Commissioner of Pensions, an attorney may receive not exceeding *50 cents* in any one case to cover the correspondence expense therein, aside from his fee and independent of the success of the claim.

### POINTS OF INFORMATION FOR YOUR ATTORNEY.

Give the following information:

- 1. Your full name, and the company and regiment, or ship, in which you served, giving dates of enlistment, place and date of first illness and discharge, and cause of discharge.
- 2. The name or nature of all disabilities (wounds, injuries or diseases) incurred in the service and line of duty, from which your physical ability for performing the work of a sound, able-bodied man at manual labor is materially impaired.
  - 3. State when and where and how each disability was incurred or contracted.
  - 4. The name and location of each hospital in which you were treated.
- 5. The name or nature of the disabilities (wounds, injuries or diseases) found to exist by the surgeon who examined you at the time of your muster-out.

Give your full post office address.





